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JINNAH SCOUTS SIND SEPARATION MOVE

Military Called Out In Culcutta

Eight Killed And 32 Injured On Friday

CHIEF MINISTER BLAMES POLICE: FIRE OPENED ON SIX OCCASIONS

CALCUTTA, March 28. (A.P.I.): Troops have been called out in two areas of North Calcutta as a precautionary measure These are the Manicktola and Beliaghata areas and Circular Road touching these two zones.

The Chief Minister, accompanied by the Chief Secretary, toured the affected areas this evening.

DEAD BODY IN SEWAGE

A dead body was picked up today from the underground sewage in a pumping station in the Entally area.

Another dead body was picked up from a thoroughfare in the north-eastern suburbs.

Owing to the operation of the curfew, many long-distance passengers are being stranded at night in the two railway termini at Howrah and Sealdah. The B.N.R. Boat Special from Bombay bringing passengers by the "Franconia" was originally scheduled to reach Calcutta on Saturday evening. But as the curfew is likely to be in force at the time of its arrival, the Railway authorities have now arranged that it should reach Howrah only on Sunday. morning at 8 a.m.

CONGRESS PARTY DEMAND CALLING OF MILITARY

"We cannot sit in the Assembly when fire is raging outside", said the Deputy Leader of the Congress Party in the Bengal Assembly alleging Government's failure to take drastic action in quelling the disturbances in the city.

The Deputy Leader, Mr. Dhirendra Nath Dutta, in a statement in the House, said:

"I am told that in the Campbell Hospital upto 4 p.m. today, 45 per-...sons were admitted of whom 8 died.

Unless Government gives a definite assurance that military help would immediately be requisitioned to control the situation, we do not want to take part in the proceedings", he said:

Replying, the Chief Minister, Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy said that he was not prepared to admit or deny the incidents to which the Deputy Leader of the Congress Party had referred.

HE BLAMES POLICE

Referring to the charge of police inactivity, the Chief Minister said:

"I feel really sorry if it is a fact that the police inspite of all instructions to them, are not behaving as they ought to do. Government is most anxious to see that this is finished as soon as possible, and also I hope the leaders of other parties and organisations are as anxious".

8 KILLED AND 32 INJURED

CALCUTTA, March 28 (API.) Following increased tension and several incidents this afternoon in Manicktala and Beliaghata areas as a precautionary measure and in order to localise the trouble, the military were called out and are now dominating these two areas, says a Press Note issued by the Bengal Government at 10-30 tonight.

It continues: "The day started with stray incidents and by midday about nine had been reported. In the afternoon, however, the number of incidents increased and by 9 p.m. over 30 have been reported.

The incidents, which continued to be confined to Central, North and East Calcutta, included several cases of rioting, arson, acid and bomb-throwing. The police opened fire on six occasions during the day and arrested 51 persons. Latest police re-

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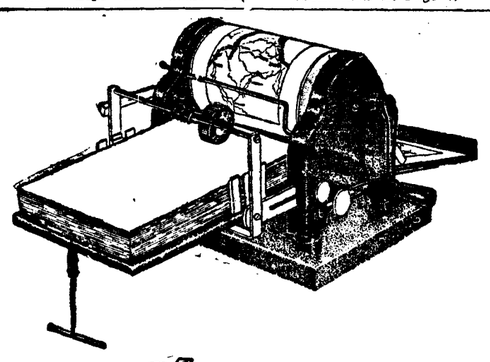
Viceroy Calls Conference Of Governors

NEW DELHI, March 28 (A.P.I.): His Excellency the Viceroy has invited the Governors of all the provinces and the Governor-Designate of Assam to a conference in New Delhi in the middle of April 1947.

Mahatma For Delhi

PATNA, March 28 (A.P.I.): From enquiries made in the Gandhi Camp here it is learnt that in view of his state of health Mahatma Gandhi will probably be going to Delhi by train on March 30 and not by air as was suggested earlier. It is not yet know if a special train will be arranged for him.

A report received from Jehanabad says that only Miss Manu Gandhi Mahatma Gandhi's grand daughter is likely to accompany him to Delhi.



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1,000 'REBELS' SURRENDER

End Of Parallel Govt. In Burma?

RANGOON, March 28 (Reuter).—One thousand "rebels" laid down their arms and surrendered to the authorities at Natmauk, U Aung San's home-town in Burma's Midland, two days ago, according to reports in Burmese papers today. A fortnight ago, it was reported, these "rebels" had set up a "parallel administration" in Natmauk and the surrounding districts.

U Aung San, who visited his home-town in the course of an election campaign tour of Central and Upper Burma, is expected to return to Rangoon tonight.

MOUNTBATTENS' PARTY TO ASIAN DELEGATES

NEW DELHI, March 28 (API).—H.E. the Viceroy and Viscountess Mountbatten of Burma gave an 'At Home' this evening to meet the delegates to the Asian Conference. They received the guests in the long drawing room. They were entertained in the State rooms which were thrown open. The guests afterwards moved to the gardens where Their Excellencies talked to them

Nearly 600 guests, including some members of the Interim Government, members of the Legislature, and high ranking civil and military officials and leading men from public life were present.

"United Pakistan Must Resist Rest Of India"

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, March 28.—Opposition to the proposed creation of an independent sovereign State of Sind has been voiced by Quaid-e-Azam Jinnah who instead is keen on bringing into existence a strong united Pakistan. A special deputy who went to Bombay to meet Mr. Jinnah returned yesterday to Karachi.

Observers believe that Mr. Jinnah scouted the very idea of creating Sind Province into an independent Sovereign State since his desire is to bring one united Pakistan to resist rest of India.

A special meeting of the Sind Assembly League Party is being convened to consider Mr. Jinnah's reply. The Sind Muslim League is very anxious to have a separate state for Sind as Sindhi Mussalmans are afraid of being swamped by Punjabi Muslims in case joint constitution of all Pakistani provinces with strong centre is framed.

LEAGUE SPOKESMAN DENIES IT

KARACHI, March 28 (UPI).—A Muslim League spokesman contradicted today a Press report that Mr. Jinnah took the Sind Leaguers to task for advocating a separate constitution for Sind, in the course of a letter addressed to the Sind Premier.

The spokesman pointed out that Mr Jinnah appreciated the idea, but he wanted sanction behind it. Accordingly the matter would be placed before the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League.

MILITARY AID FOR ASSAM GOVT.

Central Govt. Passes Orders To Eastern Command

NEW DELHI, March 28 (A.P.I.): It is understood the Central Government have passed orders directing the Eastern Command to place troops at the disposal of the Assam Government for the eviction campaign, if necessary.

It is learnt that there has been "a mass invasion" of certain areas of the western frontiers of Assam, reserved for grazing purposes, Thousands of 'squatters' are believed to have moved from the neighbouring province of Bengal into Assam. The Provincial Government had been taking steps to meet the situation and the request for military aid which came from the Assam Government is said to be only a precautionary measure in case of any breach of peace.

BEGUM MOHAMMED ALI DEAD

BOMBAY, Friday: Begum Mohammed Ali, widow of Maulana Mohammed Ali, died here to-night at the age of 61 after a short illness.

She was incarcerated during the non-cooperation days of 1919 and 1920 along with Maulana Mohammed Ali. She organised Khilafat work during those days. Later, when she came out of jail she was associated with the National movement and when Maulana Mohammed Ali went to the Round Table Conference she accompanied him. She was a member of the U. P. Legislative Assembly and was also a member of the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League. She took active interest in the uplift of Muslim women.

FRONTIER M. L. A. INJURED

PESHAWAR, March 28 (A.P.I.): The Frontier Government has issued the following communique tonight:—

At Kohat there was a clash between men of rival political factions and among those who have been admitted into hospital is Khan Sahib Gul, a Congress member of the Frontier Legislative Assembly. In all three persons are reported to have been injured. Later a Sikh was fired at and wounded.

At Mardan today a mob tried to force its way into the municipal limits to hold a meeting in defiance of the ban under Sec. 144 Cr.P.C. Demonstrators indulged in stone-throwing and police had to resort to teargas and 'lathi' charge twice. Fourteen policemen are stated to have been injured. Military have been called out as a precautionary measure.

MARSHALL STRESSES FUNDAMENTALS

MOSCOW, March 28 (A.P.A): George C. Marshall U. S. Secretary of State, proposed to the Foreign Ministers' Conference tonight a drastic three-point streamlining of its work on current German problems, together with an April 2 "deadline" for completing that job.

This speedup proposal generally found a favourable response from the other Ministers.

Meanwhile, the conference completely failed to break the deadlock on German assets in Austria, thus dimming the prospects for completing an Austrian peace treaty here.

AGREEMENT ON D.P.'s.

The U.P.A. adds: They agreed that in the treatment of the displaced persons there should be a clear distinction between those from the United Nations and those of Germanic origin, that all the reichsdeutch who entered Austria after the Anschluss and all who proved to be Nazis should arbitrarily be expelled to Germany, and that Sudeten Germans and Czech, Hungarian and Polish Volksdeutch should arbitrarily be resettled in Germany.

SOVIET RAISE RUHR ISSUE

U. S. REFUSE TO DISCUSS IT

MOSCOW, March 28 (Reuter): M. Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, declared at a meeting of the "Big Four" Special Co-ordination Committee this morning that the Soviet delegation would not accept economic unity of Germany unless the Four-Power Control over the Ruhr were established.

General Lucius D. Clay (United States) replied that the Ruhr was not included as a subject for the Committee and was to appear later on the Council of Foreign Ministehrs' agenda. He, therefore, refused to discuss the question in the co-ordination committee.

Tables Turned Against Leaguers

Fate Of Mirza's Cut Motion "To Exclude Women From Science Colleges"

BOMBAY ASSEMBLY GRANTS RS. 15 LAKHS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY DEMANDS

BOMBAY, Friday.

Supplementary demands for the year 1946-47 representing an impressive total figure of Rs. 15,22,185 charged to provincial revenues and Rs. 22,14,73,779 votable, were granted by the Bombay Legislattive Assembly, after a feeble and desultory debate today.

This does not mean that so much additional amount has been spent. Much of it is merely a matter of book adjustment. The bulk of over Rs. 18 crores charged to Capital expenditure, for instance, is on account of State trading for the purchase of grains, potatoes, seeds, gur, milk and other products for sale. In the same manner an amount of over Rs. 91 lakhs shown as a supplementary demand charged to Revenue under the Head of Agriculture is the result of the accounting procedure fixed between the Bombay Government and the Government of India for the purchase and re-sale of fertilizers. Under this scheme, the Bombay Government has taken over and distributed 27,220 tons of ammonium sulphate. The ultimate total loss on this scheme to the Bombay Government is only Rs. 4,77,945.

The really impressive Head of actual expenditure is a supplementary demand of Rs. 84,72,396 under the head Education. The major part of this amount namely, Rs. 67,41,582 has been absorbed by grants to local bodies of primary education to be expended on the revision of pay of primary teachers.

MIRZA AT IT AGAIN!

Although a number of cuts were moved against this item, the only one which caused something like a debate was one moved by Mr. A. H. Mirza to discuss the want of facilities for Intermediate and Backward classes for science education. Under the guise of supporting his cut, Mr. Mirza reverted to his favourite theme of excluding women from science colleges. He urged that costly scientific education imparted to women was a waste because they did not pursue any career, but lapsed into domestic life. He suggested that women should be given not more than five per cent of the available seats and the backward and intermediate classes given better representation

KHER'S REPLY

Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, replying to the debate said that the Opposition members seemed to be singularly unfortunate in the choice of their cut motions. He read out a circular addressed by the Government to the Director of Public Instruction on May 22, 1946, laying down the policy of the Government that special facility should be given for pupils of intermediate and backward classes and to Muslim pupils. The same subject was taken up again next month. Arrangements were made for the admission of all backward and scheduled class students who applied for such admission in the Elphinstone College and other Government colleges even to the exclusion of better qualified pupils from other communities. It was only to the Royal Institute of Science that this principle could not be applied because that Institute admitted students only on merit.

NO WASTE ON WOMEN

Turning to the question of restricting entrance of women, Mr. Kher said the time had long since gone by when women could be kept out of any walk of life. As there was no question of scientific education being wasted on women, he pointed out that on the staff of the Royal Institute of Science itself three of the distinguished scientists, who were professors of Physics, Chemistry and Zoology, were women.

At the close of the debate Mr. S. A. Dange called out to Mr. Mirza to withdraw the cut motion. Mr. A. S. Bokhari, a Muslim League member, also requested Mr. Mirza to withdraw. But as the latter kept mum, the Speaker put the motion to the House. But

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SPECIAL PLANE TO BRING SHAHRIAR

NEW DELHI March 28 (A.P.I.): A special plane to fetch Dr. Shahriar, Premier of the Indonesian Republic, left New Delhi this afternoon. It is hoped that he will be able to reach Delhi in time for the final Plenary Session of the Asian Relations Conference on April 2.

No Award Yet In Banks Dispute

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Director of Publicity, Government of Bombay, writes:—

"A report has appeared in a section of the press to the effect that the Industrial Court has given its award in the Banks' Dispute and that the same has been accepted by the Government of Bombay.

The report is absolutely incorrect and without any foundation. Enquiries show that the award is not yet ready and it will take about a fortnight before it is submitted to the Government. What is published as the award is apparently a summary of the statement of some of the demands made by the employees."

ONLY SUMMARY OF EMPLOYEES' DEMANDS

(The report which is referred to by the Director of Publicity, Government of Bombay, has, we regret to say, appeared in this paper too. What was in fact only a summary of the demands put up on behalf of the employees of the banks, was by mistake presented as the award of the Adjudicator. We now understand that the Adjudicator has not yet submitted his recommendation and, therefore, their acceptance or otherwise by the Government does not arise. It is expected an announcement about the award in the adjudication proceedings might be made in another two weeks. It is very much regretted that such an incorrect report should have found place in the "Chronicle."—Editor "B.C.")

Abdul Bari Killed?

PATNA, March 28 (A.P.I.): Prof. Abdul Bari, President of the Bihar Provincial Congress Committee and Labour leader, is reported to have been waylaid and killed near Futwa, about 12 miles from here, this evening while he was returning by road to Patna from Jamshedpur.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Sri Krishna Sinha and a few other Ministers have rushed to the scene of occurrence.

"Sane Guruji" Threatens Fast For Temple Entry

WARDHA, March 28, (A.P.I.): Mr. P. S. Sane, Socialist Leader, who is known as "Sane Guruji" addressing a public meeting here today declared. "in independent India there must be no scope for tyranny of the caste Hindus over Harijans".

Mr. Sane, who is touring the Central Provinces to enlist public sympathy to open all temples and especially the Pandharpur temple to Harijans by April 13, said, "if this is not done, I shall begin a fast on that date".

POONA TEMPLE TRUSTEES' "NO" TO HARIJANS

POONA, March 28, (A.P.I.): The trustees of the Parvati and Tulshibag temples in Poona it is learnt have expressed their unwillingness to allow entry to Harijans in their temples.

The trustees are said to have informed representatives of the Harijan Temple Entry Association that under the "sanad" granted to them by the Peshwas they were not entitled to act in any manner prejudicial to religious customs, usage or tradition.

U. S. Moves U. N. O. On Greece Issue

LAKE SUCCESS (NEW YORK), March 28 (Reuter): The United States formally asked the United Nations today to endorse American intervention in Greece and Turkey, to take active steps to protect any country from threat of aggression, and to set up a permanent "border patrol" on Greece's northern frontier.

Senator Warren Austin, United States representative on the Security Council, after talks with President Truman and High State Department officials, asked the Security Council to consider setting up a permanent Greek Border Commission composed of Security Council members under which "neutral observers could keep a constant watch against violations of border regulations."

WORLD BANK FUNDS

WASHINGTON, March 27 (Reuter.) The world bank will soon have 71,000,000 dollars available for lending, representing the 20 per cent capital contribution of member countries, the president of the bank stated.

NEW CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER

SHANGHAI, March 28, (Reuter): Mr. K. C. Wu, Mayor of Shanghai, may soon succeed Mr. Wang Shih Chieh as foreign Minister, according to local reports.

FR. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR INDO-CHINA

PARIS, March 28, (Reuter): M. Emile Bollart, the French High Commissioner to Indo-China left here by air today for Saigon.

STOP PRESS

7 KILLED IN PILOT-BOAT MISHAP

RANGOON, March 28, (A.P.I.) Seven persons were killed and several others injured when the pilot boat "Pathfinder" struck a floating mine at the mouth of the Irrawaddy River, it was announced by the Rangoon Port authorities today.

CALCUTTA CASUALTIES MOUNTING UP

CALCUTTA March 28 (API.) A check up with hospitals at midnight gives the casualties in Friday's incidents in Calcutta as 11 killed and about 100 injured. These figures have not, however, been officially confirmed.

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MEGHANI WHO IS NO MORE

(By JANAKBAI C. BUCH)

In Zaverchand Meghani who died at Botad in Kathiawar on March 9, Gujarat has lost a great literary figure whom Mahatma Gandhi described as "Rashtra Shayar." His literary and other activities, spread over a period of nearly a quarter of a century, cover one of the most fruitful periods of Gujarati literature, in the wake of renascent India, aspiring for freedom in all spheres of life. In fact, Meghani was the spearhead of literary renaissance in Gujarat and Kathiawar.

IN SEARCH OF FOLK LORE

He moved from village to village and searched live-long day for folk songs and folk stories and collected vast material which he edited and published for the gratification of the Gujarati public. His "RASDHAR" which he edited in five parts, his books on the saints and Robinhoods of Saurashtra, his collection of folk-songs in his books "Radhyali Rat" and "Chunddi", captured public imagination. He did not leave any branch of folk literature unexplored. The labourer working in the field, the sailor plying his canoe along the Kathiawar coast, the mother rocking the cradle and lulling a baby to sleep, women singing at a wedding the widowed virgin mourning for her life's partner, all came within his ken. With his great vision, the poet discerned a mighty symphony of high ideals and RAGI and TAL wove in the very texture of human life.

The poet had a large circle of friends and admirers who helped him in his work. He did not stop at merely collecting and collating. He made a comparative study of folk literatures of various provinces of India and of different countries of the world.

It has always been a moot question whether literature moulds life or life moulds literature. The answer perhaps is that there is a possibility both ways. Zaverchand Meghani's literary activities have contributed not a little to the shaping of the life of Gujarati men and women and therefore in shaping the course of history of the most fertile province in Western India. Meghani has not only preserved and framed in a vivid and vigorous language the fleeting past of SAURASHTRA and its age of chivalry but has also inspired his readers with a vision of a glorious future which can be built on such a romantic past. It will be no exaggeration to say that next to Gandhiji and Narmadashanker, it is Munshi and Meghani who have made us conscious and proud of our past and inspired us with a vision of our greater future.

AS POET

Meghani's poetry is full of such inspiration. His patriotic songs, his martial airs, his delicate lullabys, his pitious cries for the oppressed of the world, his Rasas, full of music and lilt, and above all his sonorus, vital and and vibrating voice, capable of moving and holding spell-bound vast audiences, have rightly earned for him the title of a National Minstrel.

AS A NOVELIST

For the last ten years, Meghani had taken to writing novels. Perhaps, his idea was to present on a vast canvas of a novel, the past and the present life of the people of Gujarat as it was or is being lived by them. While his vivid imagination has recreated the Gujrat of the days of Vastupal and Tejpal in "Gujarat-no-Jai" and of Ra Mandlic and Narsinh Mehta in "Ra Ganga Jallo" or of the last days of the Gujarati Sultanate in "Samrangan" his keen observation of the present life of Saurashtra has enabled him to present the modern life of a typical Brahmin or a Jain family in "Tulsi Kyaro" or "Vevisal".

In his, "Prabhupadharya" he has given us the picture of the life of a typical present-day Gujarati Colonist in Burma, whose adaptibility and capacity for mixing among allien people is well-known. But in my humble opinion, Meghani has reached the high water-mark of his creative ability in his novel, "Sorath-Taran-Vehtan-Pani". Perhaps, I am charmed most by that book because, in my childhood, I have lived and moved in those very environments where in he has placed the setting of the story.

As a journalist, Meghani introduced beauty and grace of literary flourish and put life into all that would have been dull and uninspiring in Gujarati.

Meghani is no more but his literary work will live for all time to inspire the coming generations.

PIANOFORTE CONCERT

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Before a large and appreciative audience the long-awaited pianoforte concert was held, at C. J. Hall on Tuesday evening, by the recipients of "Miss Bhikhaiji L. Palamkote Prizes", on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee in music (1885-1945). A choice programme of 10 items was presented by 10 artistes, every one of whom acquitted herself creditably. Piano solos took up the major portion of the delightful evening, and the 8 artistes who contributed their mite to its success were: Misses Khodaiji, Contractor, Nariman, Taraporewalla, Kanga, Batliwalla and Gool S. Dalal. The other items of 'Two Pianos' were equally charmingly executed by Misses D. J. Nanavutty and Gool M. Dalal. Among the works included in the programme were from Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin and Liszt. Before the audience dispersed after a very pleasant evening's entertainment, Mr. Burjor S. A. Paymaster thanked them all and the artistes who had made the function a huge success, which was in no small measure due to Miss Ratty E. R. Hirjibehedin's able organisation.

INDIA'S SUGGESTION REJECTED

Economic Commission For N. Africa And Ethiopia

LAKE SUCCESS, (NEW YORK), March 28. (Reuter): An Indian proposal to set up a special economic commission for North Africa and Ethiopia was rejected by the Economic and Social Council's Economic Committee but the Committee agreed that the United Nations should study what are the needs of devastated areas in these countries.

Indian representatives argued that Ethiopia and North Africa had not received any consideration regarding reconstruction, though both had suffered war damages.

France argued in the Committee that Algeria, Morocco and Tunis were, for Economic purposes, part of metropolitan France and therefore any of their needs could be dealt with by the Economic Commission for Europe.

Finally the Committee decided that the secretariat be empowered "at the request and with the consent" of the governments concerned to study the needs in these areas and report back to the Economic Commission at a future session.

Free Treatment Of Eye Diseases

SURAT, March 28 (A.P.I.): Free treatment of eye diseases, including operations, and free supply of spectacles to poor has been organised on a mass scale by the Dalmia Jain Trust on March 30 and 31 at Surat. Three leading eye specialists for the purpose have been commissioned by the Trust.

The Government of Bombay has agreed to pay Rs. 5,000 towards the cost of the scheme of which over 500 persons are expected to take advantage.

Arrangements have also been made for free post operation treatment.

HAHNEMANN WEEK POSTPONED

Our patron, the Most Revd. Mar Thoma Dionysios, Metropolitan of Niranam, writes in his letter, dated 14-3-'47, to Captain C. Oommen, as follows.—

"I am in receipt of your letter in which you say that the Hahnemann Week is to be celebrated by the A.I.A. (H & N) under the auspices of the Grace Medical Mission in the week beginning with 10th of April and closing on the 13th. The period referred to coincides with the Holy Week of the orthodox Syrian Church. According to the law of the Church, we are not allowed to take part in such functions in the Holy Week". His Grace, therefore, advises a postponement of the Conference so as to suit all sections of members of the Mission and the A.I.A. (H & N). Exact date of the Conference will be notified.

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FOOD TRAINS DISAPPEAR!

British Official Suspects Deliberate Sabotage

DUESELDORF, March 27 (Reuter): Food trains have been disappearing on their way from north Germany to the Ruhr, a senior British official said tonight, when he disclosed that British authorities were investigating possible sabotage in the biggest food crisis the Ruhr has yet experienced.

"Farmers have been failing to collect the crops and millers and bakers have been failing to report the stocks they hold", he said. "All these factors tend to make the British incline towards the suggestion that there may be deliberate sabotage".

CONSEMBLY MEETING END OF APRIL

NEW DELHI, March 28 (A.P.I.): The next session of the Constituent Assembly will be held in New Delhi on Monday April 28, 1947 says a press 'communique' issued by the Secretariat of the Constituent Assembly.

Consembly Committees

NEW DELHI, March 28 (A.P.I.): The Committee on Fundamental Rights appointed by the Constituent Assembly has been in session during the last four days under the chairmanship of the Congress President Acharya Kripalani. It is understood a provisional report has already been drafted and the Committee is likely to conclude its session on April 1.

The Union Powers Committee is scheduled to meet on April 16 and a full session of the Advisory Committee on April 21

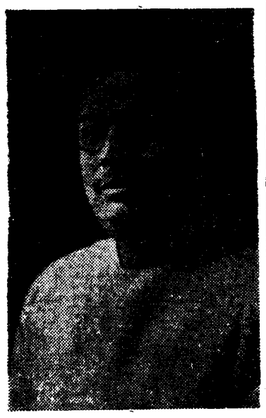
HEAVY TAXES WILL CRIPPLE INDUSTRY

K. D. Jalan's Address To Indian Chamber Of Commerce

CALCUTTA, March 28

"India has reached a crucial stage in her political and economic rebirth, and I am sure, this great country will soon tide over the crises and inaugurate a new era of freedom and prosperity for the people irrespective of their colour, caste and creed", thus observed Mr. K. D. Jalan, to-day in his Presidential speech delivered at the 21st Annual General Meeting of the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Calcutta. Continuing, Mr. Jalan said: "I am glad that H. M. G. have adopted a far-sighted, courageous and generous policy, and hope that the political parties will sink their differences and join hands in shouldering the responsibility of political freedom."

Referring to the Railway Budget presented in the Central Assembly in February last, he felt that the Railway administrations had paid scant attention to the development of internal traffic, and urged the Transport



Mr. K. D. Jalan.

Member to make proper allowance for the defects in railroad construction and lack of uniformity in gauges in formulating the rates policy of the future to meet the growing demands of internal trade and industries, and suggested desirability of transport protectionism.

Offering his observations on the General Budget presented by the Finance Member on February 28 in the Central Assembly, Mr. Jalan stated that the commercial community was in full agreement in implementing the schemes of economic development and thereby increasing remunerative employment and improving the lot of the common man, but apprehended that the heavy burden of proposed taxation would cripple industry, reduce production and adversely effect the standard of living of the people. He strongly urged Government to encourage and assist private enterprise for implementing schemes of economic reconstruction and development.

Regarding nationalisation of industries, Mr. Jalan stressed the need for a policy of circumspection and caution, at the same time ensuring adequate opportunities and encouragement to Indian industrial and commercial interests

In regard to the discussions relating at Geneva relating to the International Trade Organisation, Mr. Jalan expressed his opinion that all energies must be concentrated first in giving a satisfactory shape to the Organisation, and the question of tariff reduction must be discussed next.

The formation of the Interim Government at the Centre, hoped Mr. Jalan, had augured well for the future of the Indian Shipping Industry. He hoped that the Government would modify the provisions of the Control of Shipping Bill and allow at least the new ships to participate in India's Overseas Trade without fettering or restricting their movement in any way.

JHARIA COAL STRIKE CONTINUES

PATNA, March 27 (A.P.I.): Four thousand workers of Bhowrah and Amlabad collieries in Jharia coalfields went on strike on March 18 and are still continuing it, according to the General Secretary, Bihar Provincial Trade Union Congress.

He says: "The reason behind the strike is that the strikers want to put an end to the largescale victimisation that has been resorted to by the management of those collieries."

LABOUR LEADER ARRESTED

MADRAS, March 28 (A.P.I.): The President of the Buckingham and Carnatic Mills workers Union, Mr. Anthoni Pillai, has been arrested today under the Madras Maintenance of Public Order Act on a charge of fomenting an "illegal" strike.

The strike in the B and C Mills involving 14,000 workers entered the third week today.

A general strike of all workers in the city, including the tramway and transport workers, has been declared for tomorrow in sympathy with the B and C mills strikers.

SYMPATHETIC GENERAL STRIKE ABANDONED

MADRAS, March 28 (A.P.I.): The general strike of workers in the city declared for tomorrow in sympathy with the B and C Mill strikers, is unlikely to materialise.

The Madras Motor Drivers' Association has passed a resolution postponing the proposed strike in view of the Labour Minister's assurance that his good offices will be used to settle the B and C mills workers strike.

The Madras Labour Union and half a dozen other Unions have also passed similar resolutions.

Surat Municipal Strike Ends

SURAT, March 28 (A.P.I.): The eighteen-day old strike of the municipal workers, including municipal water workers and fire brigade and hospital staff, was called off this afternoon following the Municipal Standing Committee's recommendation to the General Board to recognise the Municipal Staff Union on certain conditions.

H. M. G.'s Assets In India May Be Taken Over Against Sterling Balances

NEW DELHI, March 28. (API). The question of extent and volume of the assets belonging to HMG which remained in India and the manner in which those assets were going disposed of was raised by Mr. Manu Subedar in the Central Assembly today.

The Finance Member Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan replied that assets belonging to HMG in India fell into one or other of the following categories: Capital Assets created in connection with the expansion of industrial capacity in India for war purposes; and other Capital assets, such as store buildings, hospitals, workshops, office buildings, residential accommodation, camps, etc. The Capital assets relating to the first category had been acquired by the Government of India on payment of 50 per cent of the Capital cost. The amount paid by the Government of India to the end of 1945-46 on this account was 14 decimal 83 crores. A relatively small balance was still due and would be paid as soon as the information necessary to determine its award had been received.

As regards other Capital assets, the Finance Member said, the Government of India intended to take them over on suitable terms to be discussed with H.M.G. as a part of the Stering Balances' negotiations.

The Home Member Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel replying to Mr. Ahmed Jaffer said that during 1945 and 1946 24 gazetted officers of the Central Government who, having retired or proceeded on leave preparatory to retirement from service, accepted employment with business concerns. Officers on leave preparatory to retirement might not accept commercial employment without Government's sanction. The imposition of similar control in the case of retired officers was under consideration.

NO "ROYAL COMMISSION" ON NEWSPAPERS

"I am afraid the question of a Royal Commission will be very difficult when royalty is going to end" said Sardar Patel replying to Miss Maniben Kara who asked if Government would institute a Royal Commission to enquire into the ownership and management of newspapers.

Mr. G. S. Bhalja, Defence Secretary, replying to Mr. Manu Subedar, said that no agreement had yet been reached with H.M.G. in regard to the continuance in service or demobilisation of British officers in the Indian Army. No British officer had yet been asked to say definitely whether he desired to stay or go, but a number of them had asked to be considered for transfer to the British army. Some had deferred their final decision until it was known what terms would be offered to officers who retired or whom the new Indian Government might not wish to retain on the introduction of the new constitution. In March 1946, there were 32,729 British officers of the Indian army as well as officers of the British Service attached to the Indian Army and the figure on first February 1947 was 15,653.

NO MOVE TO POONA

The Government of Bombay has decided that the official move of the Government to Poona will not take place this year; but the question of holding the monsoon session of the Legislature at Poona is under consideration.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Governor of Bombay granted interviews to the Tikayat Maharaj of Nathdwara and Rao Sahib Sardar Bhagwandas G. Desai.

His Excellency and Lady Colville attended a Tea Party given by the Mayor of Bombay at the Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Gardens, Malabar Hill.

CHIANG'S TROOPS DRIVE WEDGE

Two Red Armies In Shantung Separated

NANKING, March 28, (Reuter): Chinese Government troops have driven a wedge between two Communist armies in West Shantung Province, according to Press reports here today.

Two Government columns have met some 30 miles south-west of Tsinan, the provincial capital, depriving the Communists of the corridor along the Yellow River, it was stated.

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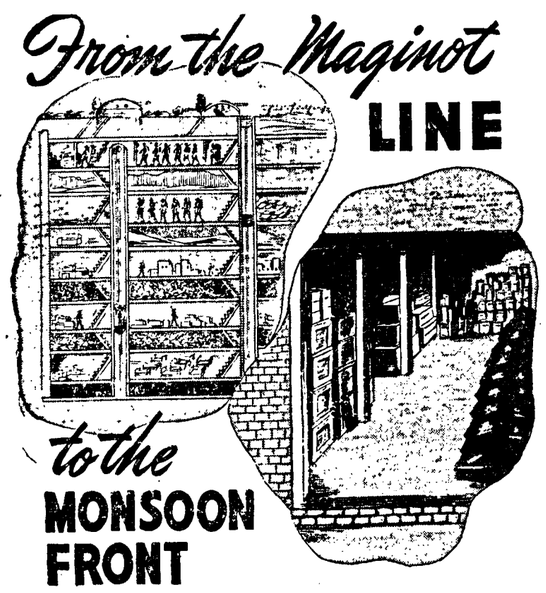

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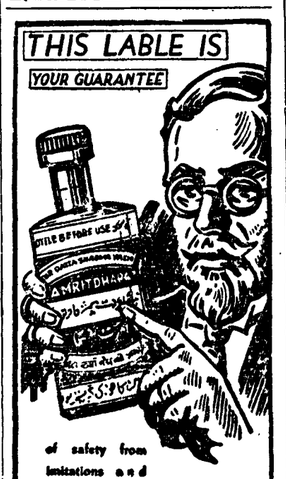

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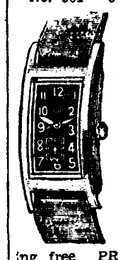

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The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Bombay Greys Top Women's Hockey League

(BY J. C. MAITRA)

The deciding match in the Women's Hockey League was staged at the Association ground on Thursday evening, the contestants being the old rivals, Bombay City and Bombay Greys. There was a poor crowd present to witness the trial of strength between the two favourite sides among the fair sex. The reason for this, as advanced by some people, was that the match had not been given any publicity in the press. This may be true to a certain extent. When I was told later on in the evening that the Aga Khan Cup tie between Spartans from Jhansi and Muslims from Kamptee had also been watched by a handful of spectators, I felt that there was something radically wrong somewhere. Then I was reminded of the Tram and Bus Strike which has overtaken the City. Unless this dispute is settled quickly, I am afraid our sports will be badly affected.

BOMBAY CITY FAILED

The match in question ended in a goalless draw, although the City had the better of the exchanges, particularly in the first half. The fact is that the full backs on both sides are so strong that the forwards do not have much of a look-in of their opponents' goal. Unfortunately the attackers rarely try to have a shot at the target. If they did there is every possibility of the ball finding the net. But such chances are not taken. The City lost the Championship, because they had conceded two goals to their opponents in their six matches against one given away by the Greys, although they had one more goal to their credit. Anyway, the Greys fully merited their success on the whole.

EAMER GOLD CUP

Now the Tommy Eamer Gold Cup also for women, will hold the field. I expect Poona to add colour to the local combinations and make the competition as successful as it was last year. But in view of the Inter-Provincial Tournament to be staged in Bombay next month, I should like the trainers of the various teams—and the players of course—to take a hand in improving the standard of play. It is agreed on all hands that the class of play now dished out is of a far lower quality than it was a few years ago. The general complaint is the present-day players do not devote much time in the cultivation of the game. Unless they change their suicidal attitude quickly, Bombay will have little chance in the national competition.

BRANDON'S COMMENTS

The other day, while speaking at the Provincial Championship final, President Brandon of the W.I.F.A. remarked that the standard of play among the men is not what it used to be in the old days. The Lusitanians the Hornets and the Customs showed the game at a much higher level than their successors are doing today. The trouble seems to be this that the present-day "stars" are over publicised which inflates their heads considerably. They do not therefore practise and train as assiduously as their predecessors used to do. Nor do they fight as wholeheartedly—with the same team-spirit—as their fore-runners. Frequent change of loyalty from one Club to another contributes to selfishness. This must be stopped for the good of the game.

AGA KHAN HOCKEY

Kalyanmal's Easy Win

BOMBAY, Friday.

Kalyanmal Mills S.C.	2
Muslim Gymkhana, Nagpur,	0

Their two-love victory over the Muslim Gymkhana in the second round of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament might have been even more comfortable had the winners taken advantage of three excellent opportunities that came their way before the play was five minutes old. To begin with Zahoor missed an easy scoring chance right in front of the goal-mouth when well placed; he found imitator not long afterwards in centre-forward Santoo Ram who emulated him. In the third opportunity lost, both the forwards had a share. Gendalal centred hard within a few yards of the goal-mouth but Santoo Ram and Zahoor missed it in turns.

Thereafter the opposition started some excursions in the Kalyanmal Mills half and although they came near the goal-mouth rather frequently they were unable to open their account mainly because the defenders were in fine form and gave little away. Custodian Ramdayal, right-back Yusuf Ali and right-half Narain Singh all newcomers to this outfit acquitted themselves quite creditably in their first match in the Aga Khan Tournament. Yusuf Ali and Narain Singh in particular were conspicuous by the good work they did in the defence. In this they were ably aided by their skipper Rozario who was the best defender of the match this evening. On at least one occasion he saved what might certainly have been a goal, although his action entailed the risk of unsighting the custodian.

For the losers the inner trio in the front line was a very resourceful and valiant one. Tayyab, Khalique and Deokar combined so well that at least for a period they appeared to be quite capable of breaking through the usually reliable defence of the holders of the Aga Khan Trophy.

After a blank first half Centre-forward Suntoo Ram scored the first goal for his side. There should have been an addition to the score had not left-out Champalal failed to shoot straight when apart from Srinivas there was no one in front of the goal to prevent him from scoring. A little later a grand pass from Gendalal was converted by Zahoor to gain a two-love lead.

The effectiveness of the losers defence was strengthened by the ability of every player to fall back when the time arose, with the result that at least during the major portion of the first half the Kalyanmal forwards were faced with almost eleven men in the goal area.

The teams:

KALYANMAL MILLS: Ramdayal; Yusuf Ali and Akhtar Hussain; Narain Singh, Durga Prasad and Rozario; Gendalal, Gurudayal Singh, Suntoo Ram, Zahoor and Champalal.

MUSLIM GYMKHANA, NAGPUR—Srinivas, Athayde and M. Hussein; Nazmi, Mohilay and Ishaq Ali; Jani, Tayyab, Khalique, Deokar and Sattar Khan.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES—At 4-15 p.m. Spartan's Club, Rawalpindi vs. Customs A.C.; at 5-30 p.m. Deccan Blues vs. Kirkeeans.

Selections For Today's Races

MALAKEH FANCIED IN LUMLEY GOLD CUP

Pillar To Post Possesses Outstanding Chance

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

In the Lumley Gold Cup, a distance event for country-breds in class II and III, the top-weighted Malakeh is fancied to score and in the next attraction, the Willingdon Plate the vastly improved Pillar to Post possesses outstanding chance.

The following are my selections:—

1ST RACE: 1 Super Charge, 2 Pure Emerald, 3 Valiant Prince.

2ND RACE: 1 Sireon, 2 Side Kick, 3 Morton Daisy.

3RD RACE: 1 Ward-al-Hujaz, 2 Mikhlif Jabir, 3 Mosaki Pasha.

4TH RACE: 1 Lady Primrose, 2 Pathan, 3 Golden Future.

5TH RACE: 1 Black Page, 2 Du Barry, 3 Lalaji.

6TH RACE: 1 Pillar to Post, 2 Flying Home-if-ab. Alijah, 3 Marcheux.

7TH RACE: 1 Malakeh, 2 Ariel Mail, 3 Kirti.

8TH RACE: 1 Hindustan, 2 Mannawi, 3 Boonian.

DARK FLUKES: Jutland and Royal Page.

M. C. C.'S LAST MATCH

Compton Again Bats Well

(From Norman Preston, Reuter's Special Correspondent with the M.C.C.)

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND, March 28 (Reuter).—Like so many of their matches of this tour, the start of the final one was delayed through the effects of rain storms. However, the M.C.C., maintaining their dynamic cricket on New Zealand grounds, sent 5,000 spectators home very happy. The people enjoyed the attractive way the M.C.C. scored 197 for the loss of five wickets in two and a half hours on a soft pitch after being sent in by Wallace.

Although Fishlock and Ikin, both left-handers, failed to reach double figures, they played their part but were not so fortunate as their colleagues, who thrived on dropped catches. Compton hit one of the highest and longest sixes seen for years when running down the pitch he ondrove Emery in the vicinity of the scoreboard.

The pitch was scarcely fit for play. When it cut up, Cowie looked very nasty and dangerous. Before this game finishes another pitch may have to be marked out and used for safety's sake.

The M.C.C. for their last match will be captained by Norman Yardley. Hammond stands down owing to a heavy cold.

Teams: The M.C.C.—Yardley, Edrich, Compton, Washbrook, Fishlock, Ikin, Evans, Wright, Bedser, Smith and Pollard. Twelfth-man Voce.

AUCKLAND:—W. Wallace (Captain), V. J. Scott, D. D. Taylor, C. A. Snedden, W. G. Snedden, G. L. Weir, R. W. G. Emery, C. C. Burke, L. A. Kent, J. Cowie and A. V. Wiles.

There was no play before lunch in the M.C.C.'s final match of the tour against Auckland here today. The weather was fine but the wicket, after the recent heavy rain, was saturated.

Whilst waiting for the pitch to recover, Jack Ikin and Denis Compton ran a hundred yards challenge race which Ikin won by seven yards.

Later Auckland won the toss, but put the M.C.C. to bat.

At close of play the M.C.C. had scored 197 for five wickets.

M.C.C. (First Innings)

Washbrook c Taylor b Wiles	35
Fishlock c W. G. Snedden b Cowie	7
Edrich, c Scott, b C. A. Shedden	25
Compton (not out)	67
Yardley, c Wallace, b Emery ..	44
Ikin c and b C. A. Snedden	5
Evans (not out)	?
Extras	?
Total (for five wkts.)	197

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BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Meeting today at 1 p.m. (B.T.)

To-day's Engagements

ANDHRAJANA SANGHAM: Meeting today at 4 p.m. (S.T.) in English High School, Opposite Dadar Rly. Station (G.I.P.)

BLAVATSKY LODGE: Public Lecture on "Principles of Zorastrianism" by Erwad K. S. Dabu, today at 6 p.m. (S.T.)

RADIO ELECTRIC INSTITUTE: Social gathering today at 3 p.m. at Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall.

TEXTILE STORES AND MACHINERY MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION: Fourth Annual General Meeting today at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the "Indian Merchants' Chamber Hall", Near Churchgate Station, Fort.

YOUTH PARLIAMENT: Lecture on "Indian Culture" by Prof. Shivadatt Gyani today at 6-30 p.m. at Blavatsky Lodge, Chowpatty.

MAHILA KALA MANDIR: Exhibition of Arts and Crafts work at Anand Bhuwan Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Girgaum, from today. The Exhibition will be opened by Mr. V. Shantaram, and the meeting will take place at "Sikka Nagar" opp. the Hall today at 5-30 p.m.

SWAMI RAMANAND: Samadi today and tomorrow (Sunday) at 5-30 p.m. at Khalsa College grounds, Matunga.

BALKAN-JI-BARI: Meeting of All-India Governing Council today at 3 p.m. (S.T.), at the Bombay Government Secretariat, in the Premier's Chamber, Mr. B. G. Kher presiding.

RAMANAVAMI MAHOTSAV, KALYAN will be celebrated by the South Indian Association Kalyan, from the 30th instant to 14th April. On the opening day at 6 p.m. there will be a music recital by Miss S. Vijayalakshmi and party.

INDIAN CHRISTIAN BROTHERHOOD: Annual general meeting today at 6 p.m. at St. Paul's Church Compound, Bellasis Road, Byculla.

BROADCAST BY PROF. CHOKSI: At 8-45 p.m. today on "The Psychological Approach to Criticism" in the series "Writers and Their Critics".

THE AZAD HIND SEVA DAL: (Sun Mill Lane), Flag Salutation ceremony and opening of a new Branch of Dal tomorrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. in the Haribag Compound, Lower Parel.

POSTAL NOTICE: Friday the 4th April 1947 will be a Post and Telegraph Holiday on account of "Good Friday".

All the Departments of the Bombay G.P.O. and the T.S.Os. including telegraph branches of the combined offices will observe on that day the same working hours as on Sundays.

SATYANARAYAN MAHA-POOJA: Today at 8 p.m. at the Central Hindu Restaurant, Cowasjee Patel St., Shri Indumati Chaubal and G. N. Joshi and Master Ebrahim will entertain the audience.

ART SOCIETY OF INDIA Annual Fine Art Exhibition between 2nd and 10th April, 9147. It is also celebrating An Art Week with the daily different programmes such as painting and sculpture demonstrations, lectures, symposium, etc. There will be also the Anniversary Day Celebration on the evening of 7th April.

The Prime Minister of Bombay will open the Exhibition and Rt. Hon. Dr. M. R. Jaykar will preside over the Anniversary Day. The function will be held at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute Hall, Fort, Bombay.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST EMPLOYEES' UNION: At the annual General meeting of the Bombay Port Trust Employees' Union, the following persons were elected unanimously as the Office-bearers for the new year:—

President: Asok Mehta, Vice-President: Adam Adil, Gen. Secretary: I. S. Patel, Treasurer: E. M. Bahadurji, Asst. Secretary: S. G. Patel.

OUTLOOK FOR FURTHER 2 DAYS: Scattered thunder-showers in Khandesh and Mawal.

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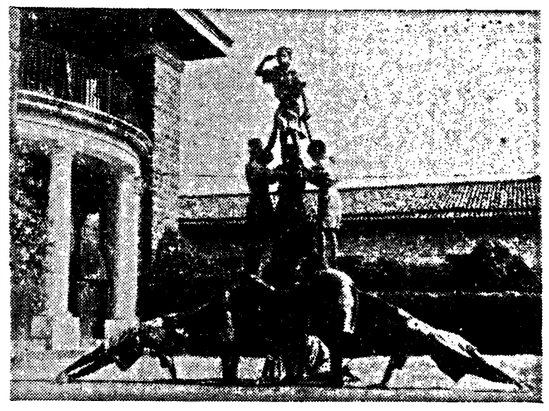

An illustration showing the blind in Pyramid which will be one of the items at today's pageant at the Stadium.

DR. A. O. FAROQHI, M.D. (BERLIN), PH.D. (GIESSEN).

Dr. Faroqhi who had left India for Europe at the age of 19 for medical studies, returned to this country in this year after an adventurous career abroad and an exile of 26 years. He has specialised in Gynaecology and Obstetric Surgery and had the unique honour of being the head of the Gynaecology and Obstetrics Department of the Alsterdorfer Hospital in Hamburg (Germany) for a number of years. He was in Germany throughout the last War, and was Netaji Subash Chandra Bose's personal physician during the latter's stay in Germany.

Dr. Faroqhi, who, it may be mentioned, hails from Kanara Dt., proposes to settle down in Bombay City and will begin his practice on 31st March (next Monday) at Mutual Building, opp. Whiteaways.

Hahneman Week Celebration Postponed

The Hahneman Week celebration is being postponed, as the period from 10th to 13th April coincides with the Holy Week of the orthodox Syrian Church and so it is not suited to a section of the members of the Grace Medical Mission and the A.I.A. (H. & N.).

CHILDREN'S BOOK ILLUSTRATION COMPETITION: The Indian Institute of Art in Industry invites entries to the Book Illustration Competition for Children which is being organized in connection with the Exhibition of Children's Books to be held at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, Bombay, in April 1947.

All entries must be addressed to the Secretary, the Indian Institute of Art in Industry, Taj Mahal Hotel, Apollo Bunder, Bombay, to arrive not later than 7th April, 1947. All information regarding the entries can be had from the Secretary.

"RINGMASTER" AT SUNDERABAI HALL: Mr. Deryck Jefferies and Mr. Adi Marzban will stage "Ring-Master", a play in three acts by Keith Winter, on Sunday, 30th March and Sunday, 6th April at 6 p.m. at the Sunderabai Hall, in aid of Mother India Free Night High School, Fort.

In this play, the central character of Peter Hammond is portrayed by Jehangir Anklesaria. The role of Peter's wife Anny played by Mae Dhondy. The play developes into tense drama when Peter tries to play the Ring-Master with everyone of his boarders. The boarding house consists of Hilda, a rich young widow and her pretty daughter Peggy, played by Silloo and Maki Seervai, and also of a mother and her two sons, played by Amy Lavangia, Minoo Davar and Phiroze Madon.

TODAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY, Saturday.

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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Song of Week (by D'Amel) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Gajanan Karnad (Violin) 8-45 D. M. Marulkar (Bhavgeet Kavi Vihang) 9-0 Gangubai Hangal (Devgiri Bilaaval).

12-0 p.m. Composite programme (M) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Marathi Songs 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 You Asked for It 4-20 Rambhau Ashtekar (Multani) 4-50 Replies to listeners' letters (M) 5-0 Gajanan Karnad (Violin) 5-15 Bahuroopi (G) 5-45 Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Filmi Sangeet 6-30 Sumant Vyas (Gujarati Geet) 6-45 Master Nisar (Thumri) 7-0 D. M. Marudkar (Bhavgeet Kavi Vihang) 7-15 Gajanan Deshpande (Violin) 7-30 Gururao Deshpande (Marwa) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Economic review by E. R. Dhongade (M) 8-45 Writers and their cities; psychological approach to criticism: Talk by Prof. R. Choksi 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 "Hamari Galiyan" Play by Salaam Machhli-Shahri: (H) 10-15 Gangubai Hangal (Maluha-Kedar).

WEATHER NEWS FOR FARMERS

There will be a local rainfall in the Bombay Deccan and the South Konkanpatti.

MAYOR'S GARDEN PARTY TO THE GOVERNOR

To meet H.E. the Governor and Lady Colville, Mr. M. I. Rowji, the Mayor and Mrs. Rowji gave a Garden Party at Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Gardens, Malabar Hill, on Friday evening. About six hundred guests were invited among whom were also ex-Mayors, Municipal Councillors, Secretaries to the Government of Bombay, High Court Judges, Judges of the Small Causes Courts, Consuls of the Foreign States, Miss Rosemary Colville and Miss Priscilla Morrison. After tea, H. E. the Governor was taken round among the guests by the Mayor. The function came to a close late in the evening.

Regional Commissioner Disposals

It is announced that Mr. R. Sassoon will relinquish the appointment of Regional Commissioner Disposals, Southern Circle with effect from 31st March. It was Mr. (then Brigadier) Sassoon who initiated the Disposals Directorate in the Supply Department, New Delhi, as far back as 1943 to handle the disposal of the vast quantity of both salvage and surplus war material that was arising in the country and that would become surplus at the end of hostilities.

Mr. Sassoon, a prominent Calcutta business man in private life, was educated at Clifton and was a member of the Bengal Legislative Assembly from 1935-45. Commissioned in 1941 in the 19th Lancers, after a course at the Staff College, he saw service on the Frontier, Middle East, Persia and Iraq. Mr. Sassoon leaves India for England in April.

CONGRESS SEVIKA AND KUMARIKA DAL

The Ag. G.O.C. of the Congress Sevika Dal writes:—Now the examinations of college and Matriculate students are over. The members of the Congress Sevika Dal whose examinations are over are hereby informed to make it convenient to see the G.O.C. as early as they can at the Sevika Dal's Headquarters, Congress House, on any day of the week between 4 and 6 p.m. and inform the G.O.C. what particular activity of the Congress Constructive programme she would prefer and devote her time for it during the ensuing summer vacation.

HABIB RAHIMTOOLA

Mr. Habib Ibrahim Rahimtoola, B.A., LL.B., J.P., President, the Bombay Provincial Muslim Chamber of Commerce, Delegate the International Conference for World Trade and Employmeent left Bombay by the TWA at 10-5 a.m. on Friday accompanied by Mrs. Habib Rahimtoola.

SCHOOLS AT PLAY

Spectacular Pageant At Stadium

Never before have all the schools in Bombay joined together to do such a mighty good turn. Today at 5 p.m. thousands of children will flock to the Brabourne stadium for an informal meet. Apart from the impressive collective items of dances, folk songs and physical displays that they are going to stage and the mass effect and the mutual encouragement that would result from such a comprehensive mammoth show, is the kind thought at the back of it all to their most unfortunate brothers and sisters —the blind children—to whom the whole show is dedicated and to whom all the collections are to be presented.

In the Bombay province alone there are nearly 33,000 blind of whom one-tenth are educable, one-fifth employable and more than half unfit for any trade through lack of training. Of over 8000 blind in the city, though nearly 3500 are educable, it is distressing to note the only about 200 are receiving education, in the various institutions in the city, of which the two well-known are the Dadar School for the Blind founded in 1900 and run by the American Marathi Mission, providing accommodation for 41 children and the Victoria Memorial School for Blind at Tardeo founded in 1902 located in an area of one acre and housing about 110 children.

Two special trains will be run by B.B. and C.I. from Bandra to meet the extra traffic and these will be run on No. 4 platform of through trains at Bandra and other stations. Two specials will leave Churchgate Station after the pageant, so that between 8-10 and 8-35 p.m. there will be trains leaving Churchgate every five minutes.

At the V.T. a fleet of school buses will be waiting to bring children who arrive by the G.I.P. trains to Brabourne Stadium. Arrangements will also be made to send a few buses from Brabourne Stadium to leave the children, after the pageant at Kalbadevi and other areas.

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NEXT TASKS

With Lord Mountbatten's invitations to Gandhiji and Mr. Jinnah to meet him a fresh series of interviews with Indian leaders may be expected to begin early next week. Past interviews with different representatives of the British Government have achieved several definite results which have appreciably simplified the tasks before the new Viceroy. In the first place it has been decided that the transfer of power, which has already begun, is now to be speeded up and completed in or before June, 1948. To make the final stage of transfer smooth, peaceful and efficient "preparatory measures must be put in hand in advance", though "it will become progressively more difficult to carry out to the letter all the provisions of the Government of India Act" Even at the time of the 2nd Round Table Conference in London we were told that we had Dominion Status in practice. That status should be much more real and easy now. Finally, the Constituent Assembly has already begun its work of preparing a constitution for India in accordance with the Cabinet Mission's scheme, and the new Viceroy is expected to help the working of the scheme in accordance with the provisions laid down therein and in all other ways possible.

By issuing his invitations to Gandhiji and Mr. Jinnah immediately after he took charge of office Lord Mountbatten seems determined to take time by the forelock. He seemed equally determined to get things going at once when in his speech after the swearing in ceremony he said: "Since new constitutional arrangements must be made and many complicated questions of administration resolved—all of which will take time to put into effect—this means that a solution must be reached within the next few months." One cannot expect him at this stage to express his own views on the complicated questions of administration or on the wider constitutional problems. But it is clear that since a solution must be reached in the next few months he has got to arrive at conclusions of his own at an early date, particularly with regard to the many complicated "questions of administration."

As if by way of a preliminary to his prospective interview with the Viceroy Mr. Jinnah has reiterated his old view that division of India is the only solution of the Indian problem and that "united India will only result in destruction." There are degrees of unity and degrees of division. And evidently Mr. Jinnah and the League did not regard the Cabinet Mission's scheme as destructive when they first readily accepted it. It is true that later they went back on the acceptance when they interpreted the Congress attitude to be somewhat hostile to the Grouping plan. But considering that in asking Pandit Nehru to form the Interim Government the British Government were sufficiently satisfied about Congress acceptance of the whole scheme of the Mission, one feels that the League's suspicions about the Congress are quite groundless. However, if differences persist about the Grouping plan they have got to be considered by the leaders of the two parties and also the Viceroy who may be expected to explain the point of view of the British Government who approved of the plan. When these already narrowed differences are closely scanned one reasonably feels they can be further narrowed down and bridged. In any case the expected negotiations should centre round this subject more than on any other. It will hardly be helpful if one were to proceed as if the whole constitutional problem were to be considered 'ab initio.'

Apart from specific questions like Grouping, an important general principle was enunciated by the British Government in their statement of December 6, 1946.' It was that no constitution should be forced on extensive unwilling areas. It may be called a principle of non-coercion. By its creed of non-violence Congress has always acted according to this principle. Thus areas not accepting the Constituent Assembly's constitution will not be coerced into accepting it. If any areas insist on joining the Indian Union as constituted by the Assembly, they will not be coerced and kept out. In the discussion of many ticklish problems this principle of non-coercion will be found to be of valuable assistance. It will put a premium on agreement by negotiations and not on what Mr. Jinnah often calls "brute majority."

Frankly Speaking

Tribesmen And India

During the general discussion in the Central Assembly on the budget, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru did well to explain again the approach and plans of a free India in the matter of its relations with tribal areas. The "Frontier problem" was, as he said, the creation of British policy during the last hundred years. That policy was based on different principles and different interests. The policy consisted of force to suppress tribesmen and money to pay the tribal chiefs. What mattered was not the people but military strategy. India has consistently opposed this policy as being unjust to the tribesmen and harmful to the relations between the Frontier and India. The British, of course, always ignored India's opposition and protests. But the new India will immediately have to attend to the problem on the basis of an entirely new deal.

A Hard Task

That new deal has been reiterated in its outline by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. And it is of the essence of democracy and good neighbourliness. India cannot, of course, let the tribesmen resort to violence, raids and such other activities at the expense of the life and property of Indian nationals and law and order. Subject to this necessary condition, military means, pressure and punishment must, as Pandit Nehru said, be discarded. Moreover, there is no wish to interfere in any way in regard to the life of tribesmen but rather to assist by every means the progress of the population. India will continue to give money, along with other forms of aid, not for the benefit of Maliks but for the economic, educational and social rehabilitation of the common tribesman. That is the best policy. But the task is not easy and it has been rendered harder by the nature of the present personnel, responsible for tribal administration, who, trained in the old policy and its spirit and having also their own prejudices or vested interests to pursue, have demonstrably proved themselves to be the wrong men for the job. And they are all still there from Sir Olaf Caroe down to the junior political officers.

Japan And Asian Conference

The Big Three, who, under the leadership of the United States, are to-day masters of Japan and the Japanese have an approach to the problem of Japan which is not entirely shared by India. Japan has sinned and sinned very badly indeed. Her defeat and the position to which she has been reduced are richly deserved. But India, along with others, feels that Japan is a member of the Asian family needing to be redeemed rather than be made a conspicuous out-caste. That is the justification for the invitation to Japan to the Asian Relations Conference, which is not concerned with political problems but with cultural, educational and other matters that are common to all Asian countries and peoples. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru said at the Conference that he had not made any special representation to General MacArthur because as a "general rule" the occupation authorities did not allow any Japanese to leave the country, and "it is not as if any exception was made in the case of this particular Conference."

Welcome Discussion

So far as Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru is concerned, he rightly refrained from making the participation of a Japanese delegation an issue with General MacArthur. But we wish the occupation authorities had themselves realised the advisability of letting a few representatives from Japan attend this non-political Asian Conference. In fact, it would have helped in the re-education of Japan, which is the professed objective of the Big Three. The discussion on the subject and the expression of the general view of the Conference were, however, timely and desirable, because they forestall what M. Mustafa Momen, the Egyptian delegate, rightly feared, namely, that the absence of the Japanese might later be used as an excuse for saying that the Asian Relations Conference had not been fully representative.

GOLD COAST NATIVES SAVED FROM GALLOWS

ACCRA, March 28 (Reuter): The sentence of death on two Gold Coast natives, condemned for ritual murder, was communited today to life imprisonment, The Governor of the Gold Coast announced today.

Last Monday three other men accused of the same crime were executed.

MYSORE FACES SATYAGRAHA

State Congress May Start Campaign For Responsible Govt. On May 1

..BANGALORE, March 28 (A.P.I.): A resolution deciding to launch Satyagraha on non-violent lines on May 1 for the realisation of Responsible Government and calling upon the people to face sufferings and sacrifices was passed by the Working Committee of the Mysore State Congress.

This resolution will be placed before the all Mysore Congress Committee meeting tomorrow at Bowringpet.

The Working Committee in the course of the resolution says that the interests of the people of Mysore, as also of All India, will be jeopardised if immediate steps are not taken to create necessary sanctions for the realisation of the demands of the people.

The resolution expresses concern over the non-committal attitude of the Government regarding Mysore's participation in the Indian Union while a good number of other states have taken steps according to the peoples' wishes.

The resolution makes clear that by embarking on a struggle, the Mysore Congress has no intention to gain power for itself but for the people as a whole.

Momins And League

PATNA, March 27 (A.P.I.): Mr. Razaur Rahman Ansari, Secretary, Bihar Provincial Jamiatul Momineen and a member of the Working Committee of the All India Momin Conference, in the course of a statement criticises the recent action of Shaikh Zahiruddin, President of the All India Momin Conference, in asking the Momins to accept unconditionally the Pakistan demand of the Muslim League.

He has asked the Momins of India not to be led away by the individual judgment of Shaikh Zahiruddin before the issue is finally decided by the Working Committee of the All-India Momin Conference.

ZAHEERUDDIN DOES NOT SPEAK FOR MASSES

ALLAHABAD, March 27 (A.P.I.): Mr. Reyazuddin, President of th U. P Provincial Momin Conference and Vic-President of the All-India Momin Conference in a statement to the Associated Press says: "I am surprised to read the statement of Sheikh Zaheeruddin, Advocate, in which he has appealed to all Muslims, especially the Momins to join the Muslim League. I cannot understand what pressure has influenced him to issue such a statement without consultation to the All India Momin Conference. I presume that it is his personal expression of opinion which does not affect the Momin masses."

Reward For Arrest Of Policemen's Leader

Bihar Govt.'s Announcement: Strike Spreads To New Areas: But Men Resuming Work In Patna City

PATNA, March 28. (A.P.I.): The Bihar Government have announced a reward of Rs. 2,000 for the arrest of Ramanand Tewari, President of the Bihar Policemen's Association and the leader of the police strikers of the province.

ELUDES MILITARY AGAIN

Ramanand Tewari was seen addressing a meeting of policemen yesterday at Chapra. He managed to slip away, however, when the military arrived at the meeting place.

STRIKE IN CHAPRA

The Chapra police held a meeting yesterday and decided to go on strike. The meeting was addressed by Ramanand Tewari.

A high police official told the Associated Press of India today that in view of the temper of the constables, it was not possible to arrest Ramanand Tewari while he was holding the meeting. By the time military arrived and took charge of the armoury and magazine, Ramanand Tewari managed to slip away.

The Chapra police, including the district armed police and the town police, went on strike after the meeting. The official also stated that the strikers tried to win over the additional police, who refused to fall in line with them and declared they would open fire on them if ordered to do so.

IN JAMALPUR

The three-day-old strike of the constabulary in Bihar reached its peak last evening the Jamalpur armed police joined in a body the armed police of Monghyr and refused to surrender. When troops surrounded the barracks the armed rebel police opened fire. The troops returned fire and the rebels surrendered. Five constables were injured and 84 strikers belonging to Monghyr and Jamalpur were arrested.

RING-LEADER ARRESTED

Military armoured cars reached Arrah yesterday, according to a report received here. A Havildar, believed to be the ring-leader of the "rebel policemen" there was arrested and when he was being taken away in a lorry a group of police strikers surrendered to and offered themselves for arrest.

About thirty of them were arrested.

All the arrested policemen of Arah were brought here last night.

The District armed police and the town police at Purulia went on strike at about 10 p.m. last night. One platoon of the military which arrived here later took charge of the armoury and the magazine.

A message just received at 1 p.m. from Jamshedpur states that the police there are contemplating to go on strike. The military have taken over charge of the Treasury and the magazine at Jamshedpur.

At Ranchi and Dhanbad police constables are reported to have put in petitions for holding meetings. The petitions were not considered by the authorities.

The town police of Barh (Subdivisional Headquarters in the Patna District) have work, but the Treasury guards are still working there.

REVOLVERS MISSING

A report received from Monghyr says that there is definite information that two Government revolvers were taken away by the rebels yesterday, who are absconding The town police, the report adds, never went on strike and are still working.

CONSTABLES JAILED

Five constables of new police lines who went on strike here yesterday and were arrested were sentenced today to rigorous imprisonment for two and a half months each. One constable was arrested by a C.I.D. Inspector today as he was found inciting the police constables at Chauk (in Patna City) to go on strike.

In Patna 101 strikers from among the constabulary and three Communists have been arrested so far.

CAUSE OF POLICE STRIKE

A Press Note issued by the Bihar Government contradicts a report circulated in certain quarters that the cause of the police trouble is due to the fact that the Provincial Government have not met the demands of the police constables. The note asserts that the origin of the trouble was insistence of the armed constables to hold a meeting in protest against the suspension of two Havildars at Patna and the conviction of one Havildar by a law court in Gaya for contempt of court.

FIVE REBEL POLICEMEN KILLED

GAYA, March 27, Delayed, (A.P.I.): Five rebel policemen were killed and three others injured when troops returned fire opened by the police-strikers, who had taken possession of the armoury and the treasury here today.

The rebels were called to surrender by the military at 5-15 p.m., but they refused and, it is stated, opened fire on the armoured troops, who had surrendered the strikers. The military returned fire and after an hour the "rebel" Policemen surrendered with the above casualties.

On the military side one person was wounded

Central Assembly Passes Finance Bill

Griffiths' Move To Raise Slab Of Supertax Turned Down

NEW DELHI, March 28 (API).—The Central Assembly this evening passed the Finance Bill without a division.

The Central Assembly today took up consideration of the Finance Bill Clause by clause.

The House rejected two alternative amendments moved by Mr. P. J. Griffiths. One of them sought to delete the provision for the levy of export duty on tea and the other to reduce the duty from four annas to two annas a lb.

The Finance Member, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan and Prof. N. G. Ranga opposed the amendments. The Finance Member said that tea at present was being produced mainly by India and Ceylon and Ceylon had an export duty of six annas a lb. as against the duty of four annas proposed by us. Government felt that the duty of four annas was not excessive considering what the people next door had done.

PLEA FOR JOINT HINDU FAMILY

Pt. Thakurdas Bhargava moved a number of amendments, the object of which, he explained was to ensure that members of an undivided Hindu family were taxed in their individual capacity and that the family was not considered as one single unit.

He did not ask for any special favour for the Hindu, Sikhs and Jains to whom the regulation of undivided family applied. All that he wanted was to abolish a law that was unfair and unjust. The Government had accepted the principle involved in his amendments because they had agreed to raise the limit in the case of the Business Profit Tax. It was surprising that the same principle was not applied to ordinary taxable incomes. This was a glaring disparity, which should be removed. A joint Hindu family was merely a social and not an economic unit, and uptil now, except in the matter of taxation, and undivided Hindu family had never been treated as single unit.

Mr. S. T. Adityan supported the amendments.

Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Finance Member, said that this was a matter which concerned the whole of Income-Tax Law and it was not possible to consider a matter of this importance in connection with the Finance Bill.

Mr. Bhargava withdrew his amendment.

By 47 votes to six the House rejected an amendment moved by Mr. N. Narayanamurti (Congress) to raise the limit of Income-tax exemption from Rs. 2,500 to Rs. 3,000. Among those who voted in favour of the amendment were the members representing Labour, Sir Cowasji Jehangir and Sardar Mangal Singh. Some members remained neutral.

A similar amendment, moved by Mr. B. S. Hiray (Congress) was withdrawn

The House rejected an amendment moved by Mr. S. Guruswamy (Labour) seeking to exclude dearness allowance or any other allowance granted as compensation for increased cost of living from the amount assessed for Income-tax.

The Finance Member said that he had every sympathy with the object of the amendment and was mindful of the feeling that existed in the house on the subject for some years past. He had on his own raised the limit from Rs. 2,000 to 2,500 and if it had been possible for him to raise it to Rs. 3,000, he would have done so at the very outset without waiting for any appeals for mercy or otherwise from members of the House.

If Mr. Subedar's forecast that the Capital Gains Tax would yield Rs. 20 crores proved correct, and if he was still Finance Member he would be glad to make this concession next year.

SUPER TAX SLAB ISSUE

The House rejected by 57 votes to eight an amendment moved by Mr. P. J. Griffiths (European Group) to raise the slab of Super Tax inx the case of individuals to 3 1|2 lakhs of rupees instead of the present Rs. 1,20,000.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir also moved an amendment which sought to raise the slab to five lakhs as contained in the last year's proposals but later withdrew the amendment.

The Finance Member opposing the amendments said that the tax would affect hardly a thousand people and refuted the suggestion that the economic life of the country would be upset or that industries would be ruined because of this tax.

Rest of the amendments tabled were not moved and the House passed the Finance Bill without a division.

The House also voted a number of demands for supplementary grants and adjourned to meet on Monday.

FINANCE BILL TO GO TO 'ELDERS'

NEW DELHI, March 28 (API).—The Finance Bill, as passed by the Assembly, was laid on the table in the Council of State at 6 p.m. this evening.

The Council will discuss the Bill tomorrow and on Monday March 31, 1947.

CHINA WANTS U. N. O. TO TACKLE DISARMAMENT AND SECURITY SIMULTANEOUSLY

LAKE SUCCESS, Mar. 28 (UPA).—China today called on the United Nations to tackle world disarmament and world security "simultaneously" because neither will be possible without the other.

Stepping into the role of mediator between the Anglo-American and Soviet officials, Dr. Quo Tai Chi warned the Commission on Convential Armaments against efforts to attempt completion of one phase of the United Nations' peace-making programme before starting another.

The Western countries contend that disarmament must await the development of the world police force and strengthening of the world organizations' ability to maintain peace.

The Soviet Union contends that world-wide armament scrapping must be the first step in that direction.

Meanwhile, the United States tried to start the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission in a new direction by proposing that the delegates agree on rules for a peaceful development of the atom before trying to settle the differences over how to punish atomic control violations.

The Trusteeship Council met for the third successive day without the representative of Soviet Russia.

The Economic and Social Council voted 11 to one to establish the temporary offices of the new United Nations' Far Eastern Commission at Shanghai. The Commission will parallel the Economic Commission for Europe.

GOVT.'S SHEET-ANCHOR

British Treasury Secretary Defends Press Propaganda

LONDON, March 28 (Reuter): Declaring that the British Government had done magnificently but that its greatest weakness had been its complete inability to get information across to the people effectively, Mr. Harold Boardman, Labour Member of Parliament and a trade union official, suggested in the House of Commons to-day that instead of giving the newspapers the ordinary formal hand out which the newspapers did not want in any case, the Government should employ best British journalists and say "this is news, make it as bright as you know how."

STICK TO FACTS

Mr. Boardman, who was speaking in a brief adjournment debate on the relationship between the Government and the Press, said that there would be an overriding qualification that essentially these journalists must stick to facts.

"UNRELIABLE"

Mr. Boardman said that in the minds of the average reader, the British Popular press, with notable exceptions, had become increasingly unreliable—with unfairness distortion, understatement and overstatement. That probably, arose he said, from the fact that the press had become more interested in presentation of views than news.

Mr. Glavnil Hall, Financial Secretary to the Treasury who owing to shortness of time had to compress his reply into a few minutes, said that it could not be stressed too much that propaganda was not the work of a government. That was their sheet-anchor.

Attitudes And Latitudes

By BIRBAL

Madras Infected By Sind?

So Prakasam is no longer Premier of Madras—an office to which he clung, even according to some of his followers, with more tenacity than grace. There seems to be more in the politics of Madras than perhaps the reader is able to see from the papers. Like France it was given to the politics of Sind alone to be constantly in a fluid state. Madras has now been infected with the virus from Sind and beneath the apparently placid waters of the newly constituted ministry, there still seem to be disturbing currents and under-currents, fostered no doubt by the violent discontent which had existed so long during the previous ministry.

One wonders where the Andhras' enthusiasm and energy that was displayed in trams, buses, trains, street-corners and the marina of the city of Madras when Prakasam was elevated to the Premiership have now gone, and why the former Premier was left to shoulder the challenge of the 'rebels' with fewer men from the ranks of his former supporters—although he had acquired some new supporters who claimed to know Prakasam's mind more than he did himself!

His old supporters, especially the Andhra ones—what are they going to do when their support is canvassed for the apparently no distant cry of partitioning Andhradesa from the rest of the province? We seem to have already entered the provincial partition days!

Stability and C.R.—his opponents too granted it—seemed for a long time to go together, but this was a feat which Prakasam tried to emulate with disastrous results because he obviously misjudged the temper of the people.

As for the vexed Prakasam Khadi plan, the present Ministry, it is reported, proposes to stick to it. (Incidentally, a Muslim member of the legislature uttered the warning, "then you are doomed!" when the announcement about the Khadi scheme was made.) And the equally vexed question, whether the spindles allotted by the Central Government are to be accepted or not, is to be settled not merely to the satisfaction of the electorate to which Prakasam threatened to go at the last moment, but also to the satisfaction of so many other parties and interests.

Of parties and interests even within the Congress fold there seems to be no limit in Madras and, in Birbal's opinion, the only man who has not a party is a man worth the Premiership, according to very competent Congress circles.

In squabbling about party discipline, by the way, Madras has given a lead which it would not be worthwhile for other provinces to follow. A novel experiment in teaching the legislator his duties is being tried by what is admittedly the soberest of all provinces. The lesson takes the form of manhandling the member concerned for any deviation from the path of what the particular electorate considers rectitude! It certainly is a far cry from the days of Burke to our enlightened era, but we are in the throes of an upheaval and on the threshold of democracy and the more we learn by bitter personal experience, the better perhaps will it be for the governed as well as for those who are to govern us.

"Judas, Iscariot Was Not A Nazi"

The world famous Passion Play on the life of Christ which has been enacted more or less regularly every tenth year since the 17th century in the German village of Oberammergau, not far from Munich in Upper Bavaria, cannot be given this year. For the man who plays Christ is a prisoner in the Russian zone of occupation. And his understudy is being denazified. In fact eleven of the twelve "Aposles" are being denazified. Only "Judas Iscariot" was not a Nazi.

From The Frying Pan Into The Fire.

The most tragic casualty in the recent disturbances in the Punjab is nationalism. The Muslim League has always been an avowed enemy of nationalism. The custodian of nationalism in the Punjab has been the Congress. To-day that organisation too seems to have betrayed its soul. The Congress in the Punjab has formed a united front with the Akalis, the Hindu Mahasabha and the R.S.S. It is reported that at a meeting held under the auspices of the District Congress Committee of Lahore, the President of the Committee, who happens to be a Muslim was not allowed to preside. Leading Congressmen shouted typical Hindu Mahasabha slogans. Even the Congress flag was shorn of the green colour because it was argued that the strip represented the Muslims. The tri-colour flag was hoisted only with two colours in it.

The alliance between the Congress and the Akalis is a very uncertain and unhappy combination. The Akalis are interested in having Sikh rule in the province. Some weeks back, Master Tara Singh had openly, declared that the Panth will support the Maharajahs of Patiala, Nabha, Jind, Kapurthala and Faridkote to maintain Sikh Hegemony in these States. Whether the people desire the Maharajahs to remain or not, irrespective of the popular wishes for democracy, the Panth is determined to bolster up the power of the Sikh Maharajahs. Around these Maharajahs the new Sikh State is to be built up. One sees in that attempt a reproduction of the political pattern so familiar in Hyderabad State —a combination of Feudalism and Communalism.

The Punjab Congressmen have thrown themselves into the arms of the reactionary elements. In fighting the Muslim League they have got from the frying pan into the fire. Freedom loving Punjabis seem to be coming to the conclusion that orthodox nationalism is unable to solve the tragic problems of the province. There is a growing awareness that only Socialism can to-day essay the task that nationalism in weak and halting hands has failed to encompass.

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TETE A TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"Much interest was evinced in the utterances of Mr. J. P. Griffiths since the House was interested to know how he would square his vehement criticism of the budget proposals with the part played by him in the Select Committees in supporting the Finance Minister. It was a difficult job, but he made the best of it."

—A Central Assembly Report.

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Ventilating his grievance against Congress members, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan said in the Central Assembly that Congressmen were obsessed with the idea of Pakistan so that they saw Pakistan in whatever the Muslim League did.

If he repudiates that, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan confessedly fails the Muslim League, its cherished goal, its dedication to the idea and the call of its leaders including himself to think, dream, live and work for Pakistan or perish.

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Addressing the Bombay Memon Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, Mr. Jinnah analysed British motives in "raising hopes against hopes" etc. and said; ".... why should they (the British) worry about a united India? Because they know it better than Indians do. Therein lies British salvation."

We are bound to say that Wavell asked for it. Mountbatten had better take note.

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"Today," said Mr. Jinnah "there is a very strong feeling on both sides—Hindus and Muslims—Muslims trying to go to Pakistan areas and Hindus trying to go to Hindustan areas."

And the Sikhs trying to——?

By the way, was Mr. Jinnah speaking of Bombay merchants, too, for instance?

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Mr. Jinnah concluded his speech in these words: "We are face to face with a serious situation, which requires immediate solution. If we fail, remember the consequences—I cannot describe it—it will be catastrophic."

We agree there.

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Under the impact of arguments by the three western nations, M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, retreated from his previous position and agreed to consider the definition of German assets.—A.P.A.

And now for a quarrel over the definition.

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Mr. Herbert Hoover, former President of the United States, declares that "Communism in reality is not a political party—it is an evil, malignant way of life."

As seen, felt and feared by Mr. Herbert Hoover.

13 Ministers For Madras

MADRAS, March 28 (API).—It is now finally decided that the strength of the Madras Ministry is to be increased from eight to thirteen by the inclusion of five more members. The five members are: (1) Mr. Daniel Thomas (Indian Christian), (2) Mr. V. Kurmiah (Harijan), (3) Mr. T. S. Avanasilingam Chettiar, (4) Mr. Kala Venkata Rao and (5) Mr. A. B. Shetty.

The first three who were in Prakasam Cabinet resigned on February 28 along with two others owing to differences with Mr. Prakasam.

The five new additional Ministers were sworn in before the Governor at the Secretariat this afternoon.

Of the 13 ministers who form the present Cabinet, six Ministers including a member of the Indian Christian community belong to the Tamil Nad, five including a Harijan member belong to Andhra Desa, one to Malabar and one to South Canara.

PORTFOLIOS

The portfolios have been reallocated as follows: Mr. O. P. Ramaswamy Reddiar:—Premier: Public (excluding Law and Order, Elections and Excluded Areas and Partially Excluded Areas), Hindu Religious Endowment, Khadi, and Firka Development.

Dr. P. Subbaroyan: Home, Public (Law and Order) Legal Legislature and High Court.

Dr. T. S. Rajan:—Food, Motor Transport and Labour.

Mr. M. Bhakthavatsalam:—Public Works and Planning.

Mr B. Gopal Reddi:—Finance, Commercial Taxes, Public (Election and Excluded and Partially Excluded Areas.)

Mr Daniel Thomas—Prohibition, Excise, Housing and Registration.

Mr. H. Sitharama Reddi:—Industries and Information.

Mr. K. Chandra Mouli:—Local Administration and Co-operation.

Mr. T. S. Avanasalingham Chettiar:—Education.

Mr. Madhava Menon:—Agriculture, Forests, Veterinary and Prisons.

Mr Kala Venkata Rao:—Land Revenue.

Mr. A. B. Shetty—Public Health and Medicines.

Mr. V. Kurmayya:—Harijan Uplift, Fisheries, Cinchona and Rural Development.

DIPLOMATIC JOB FOR KRISHNA MENON

LONDON, March 28 (I.P.A.): It is suggested here that Mr. Krishna Menon who will be returning shortly from New Delhi after attending the Asian Conference is likely to be Sir Samuel Ranganadhan's successor as India's High Commissioner.

Adjudicator Not A Mere Legal Tribunal

He Can Also Act Under Rules Of Equity, Says Premier Kher

BOMBAY, Friday.

Interviewed in connection with the suggestion that Mr. Abidali Jafferbhoy is reported to have made at a Press Conference yesterday that if he or Mr. Nanda, Minister for Labour undertakes to arbitrate in the dispute the workers would abide by the award, and the dispute could be settled in a couple of hours, Mr. Kher stated "I appreciate very highly the confidence which the leaders of the strikers have in me and in Mr. Nanda, Minister for Labour.

But while doing so I feel that our position as Ministers of the Government makes it impossible for us to undertake this arbitration when Government has already made an order of adjudication referring the dispute to Sir Harsidhbhai Divatia, the President of the Industrial Court.

"The adjudicator is not a mere legal tribunal, but can act also under rules of equity. The fear, therefore, that a mere legalistic view is likely to be taken is not justified." Mr. Kher said.

He added "I would appeal to the workers to resume work and to appear before the adjudicator. It will still be open to the parties at the instance of any mediator to arrive at a satisfactory solution by agreement which the adjudicator, I am sure will be willing to accept. In view of the very great inconvenience and risk to which the public of Bombay is subject to I hope the workers and their leaders will now resume the work without delay."

It appears today very likely that a skeleton bus and tram service will be put into operation in the city by the B.E.S.T. Company within a day or two.

PROSPECTS OF SKELETON SERVICE

At the request of the Labour Minister, Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, the General Manager of the B.E.S.T. Mr. A. L. Guilford called on the former at the secretariat this afternoon

Mr. Nanda pointed out to Mr. Gildford that in view of the severe hardship's which the public of Bombay was suffering the time had come for the Company to put into operation its emergency scheme for a partial service of buses and trams.

Mr. Guilford replied that the operation of the emergency scheme for partial services was dependent on the necessary volunteers not only for operating the vehicles in service but also for the essential minimum of maintenance and repair. It was further dependent upon full and adequate protection on and for each vehicle in operation and for volunteers.

Mr. Nanda informed Mr. Gildford that Government for its part would take all the necessary steps to facilitate the starting of a partial service with the active co-operation of the general public.

Meanwhile, the strike is continuing peacefully.

NEXT MOVE NOT WITH GOVT.

The Director of Publicity, Government of Bombay, writes:—

"It has been suggested in some quarters that the next move in the B.E.S.T. strike must come from the Government of Bombay.

The fact is that the Government has been taking active interest in the negotiations between the B.E.S.T. workers and the management from their very inception a few months ago. And when it became clear that there was no chance of an amicable settlement between the two parties the Government lost no time in referring the dispute to adjudication which is the only method of settling the dispute at this stage.

B. P. C. C.'S APPEAL TO STRIKERS

BOMBAY, Friday.

A resolution disapproving the present strike of the B.E.S.T. workers and calling upon them to accept the offer of adjudication and resume work immediately was passed at a special meeting of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee held this evening at the Congress House. Mr. S. K. Patil presided.

SOCIALIST AMENDMENT

The socialist group numbering 6 voted against the resolution.

On their behalf a separate resolution in the shape of an amendment was proposed by Mr. G. G. Mehta which was supported by Mr. Ashok Mehta and Mr. U. U. Bhat. The amendment was defeated.

The following is the text of the resolution which was moved by Mr. P. R. Lele and passed by the meeting.

ESSENTIAL SERVICE DISLOCATED

The B.P.C.C. deeply deplores the strike of the B.E.S.T. workers which has been going on since the 24th last and which has resulted in the complete dislocation of what may be called an essential service in a metropolis and has imposed very serious inconvenience and hardship on the workers and the general public of the city. After having given the most anxious thought to the circumstances culminating in this unfortunate strike, the B.P.C.C. is compelled to declare its unequivocal disapproval of this strike which has been declared and continued in spite of the order of adjudication made by the Provincial Government which is responsible to and derives its authority from the people of this Province.

The B.P.C.C. extends its heartfelt sympathy to the citizens and also to those numerous people who visit this city on business, in their sudden deprivation of the very necessary means of communication."

MENACE TO PUBLIC WELL-BEING

"While expressing its support to every just and legitimate demand of all workers in general and the B. E. S. T. workers in particular, this Committee will be failing in its duty to the public if it does not at the same time express its definite opinion that the step taken by the B.E.S.T. workers on the advice of their leaders is, in its inevitable consequences, a coercoin of the whole community by a small section and is bound to alienate the public opinion on which eventually every strike must depend for its success. In view of the fact that the dispute was referred to a duly constituted Adjudication by the Government, the strike has become a challenge against the constitutional machinery devised by a representative legislature for setting industrial disputes. Such a strike, apart from the legal aspect, is a serious menace to the well-being of the people as a whole. While earnestly requesting the management of the B.E.S.T. to give the most sympathetic consideration to all the just and legitimate demands of the strikers, the B.P.C.C. calls upon these strikers to accept the adjudication and resume work forthwith."

The B.P.C.C. is fully convinced that by promptly ordering an adjudication in the dispute, the Government of Bombay have done a great services to the people and to the workers themselves. There is nothing more that the Government can do at this stage. The Committee assured the Government of its whole-hearted support in any action that may be necessary in pursuance of their efforts to end the strike."

The resolution was supported by Messrs. S. K. Patil, M. Y. Nurie, Dr. Naravane and Bhanushankar Yagnik.

Mr. Patil made an appeal to the B.E.S.T. workers' leaders that they should give correct lead to the workers. Such a strike, when the Government referred their case for adjudication was uncalled for and workers should be advised to resume work, forthwith, he said.

'ACCEPT ADJUDICATION'

Labour Commissioner's Appeal

The Commissioner of Labour to the Government of Bombay in an eight-point appeal suggests to the workers of the B.E.S.T. who are on strike to reconsider their action and "help themselves by accepting adjudication."

The Labour Commissioner makes the following points:

(1) The Government of Bombay had referred all your demands to adjudication on March 20, 1947, before you decided to strike from Sunday night.

(2) Your demands included those in respect of allowances, leave, working hours, overtime, goodwill, gratuity, bonus and indianisation.

(3) You have already lost five days wages, that is, Rs. 1,50,000. This loss could have been avoided. This loss cannot be made up.

(4) Over 7 lakhs of citizens—men, women and children, including students attending examinations—have been put to serious inconvenience. About five persons have so far lost their lives by falling off from overcrowded trains.

(5) This complete stoppage of trams and buses has also affected the productive capacity of the community in general when to-day we need the maximum production.

(6) Adjudication is the normal way of settlement of trade and labour disputes in all enlightened countries.

(7) Adjudication ensures impartiality, justice and equity to both parties to a dispute.

(8) Government has done its best to help you; now help yourselves by accepting adjudication.

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"K. (H) PERMITS FOR CHARCOAL"

Government of Bombay has now decided to issue charcoal to dhobies, laundries, institutions and establishments in the B.S.D. area from Bandra to Borivli (B.B. & C.I.).

Dhobies and laundry-owners should apply in N1 form to the Rationing Office of their ward. On receipt of the applications and after necessary verification K(H) permits will be issued by the Rationing Office, WHICH WILL BE VALID ONLY FOR CHARCOAL.

Institutions and establishments holding foodgrains permits not possessing K(H) permits should similarly apply in N1 form to the Rationing Office and produce their foodgrains permits and authorisation.

Institutions and establishments holding foodgrains permit who already possess K(H) permits should produce the permits at the Rationing Office from which they have been issued together with their foodgrains permits and authorisation, so that the quantity of charcoal for which they are valid may be indicated on the K(H) permits.

APPLICATIONS FOR K(H) PERMITS VALID FOR CHARCOAL WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED AFTER MARCH 31, 1947.

Distribution of charcoal against such K(H) permits will be made as shown below:—

Dhobies on a uniform scale of 3 quarters per month.

Laundries on a uniform scale of 6 quarters per month.

K(H)	permits	for	1 unit	issued	against	5	foodgrains units	3	quarters per month.
"	"	"	2 units	"	"	10	"	4	"
"	"	"	3 "	"	"	15	"	5	"
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"	"	"	5 "	"	"	25	"	8	"
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"	"	"	7 "	"	"	35	"	10	"
"	"	"	8 "	"	"	40	"	11	"
K(H)	permits	issued	for	41-79	foodgrains	units	"	15	"
"	"	"	"	80-119	"		"	18	"
"	"	"	"	120-159	"		"	21	"
"	"	"	"	160-199	"		"	24	"
"	"	"	"	200-239	"		"	27	"
"	"	"	"	240 and over	foodgrains	units	"	30	"

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NO FOOD— NO WORK

Dusseldorf Workers Stage Hunger Demonstration

LONDON, March 28 (Reuter).—Great hunger demonstrations in the Ruhr reached the climax today when more than 100,000 people—almost the entire population of Dusseldorf—marched through the streets to a city park linking protests against food shortages with political demands.

For the first time violence was used against the British occupation authorities. The demonstrators threw a Military Government car into a lake after turning out the occupants, threw stones at a press correspondents' car and broke the windows of others in nearby roads.

"Trams were not running but essential services, such as gas, electricity, water and telephones, were still in operation. Schools, shops and factories were closed."

The statement revealed that similar demonstrations which, it said, were "all orderly" have taken place in other parts of the Ruhr, in Essen and Witten today, in Cologne and Munster yesterday. Demonstration also took place at Osnabruck where 800 building workers struck, the statement added.

NO FOOD—NO WORK

A Dusseldorf Hofgarten, Fritz Stahl, Chairman of the City's Trade Unions Joint Committee told a crowd today that the Unions would not rest until the "present catastrophe" had been overcome and the conscience of the world had been aroused.

Cheers greeted a statement of one speaker that "we will do no work until we get more food."

LABOUR'S RIGHT TO SHARE IN GOODWILL

The Executive Committee of the Socialist Party (Bombay) in a statement says:

"8000 employees of the B.E.S.T. have brought about a total strike. The two Unions are among the best organised and ably led in the country. The disciplined strike is a tribute to the organisation and solidarity of the workers.

The principal demands of the workers include one for 50% share in the goodwill of Rs. 40 lakhs that the Co. will be receiving from the Municipal Corporation when it takes over the concern by August next.

The demand raises a vital issue and it is the responsibility of the Government to express its opinion and we have to urge upon the Government to declare its acceptance of the principle that the workers are entitled to a share in the goodwill of a concern they too had toiled to build up, and further, its preparedness to legislate, if need be, in that direction.

The strike inevitably causes inconvenience to the community and hardship to the workers concerned. A declaration to the Government policy will greatly help an early solution of the dispute.

SUBURBAN RAILWAY SERVICE

Extra Trains During Strike Period

Immediately it was apparent that a transport strike was certain, the G.I.P. and B.B. and C.I. Railways took action to give the public the maximum service it was possible to give.

On the G.I.P. Railway six additional trains were arranged during the morning peak and seven during the evening homeward peak, giving an increase of about 15 per cent over the normal peak period service. Special efforts have been taken to see that trains run to time. The working hours in the G.I.P. Railway Head Offices have been put forward half an hour so as to relieve congestion during the peak periods.

On the B. B. and C. I. Railway four extra trains in the morning peak towards Bombay and six in the evening peak towards the Suburbs have been arranged by utilising main line stock between Borivli and Virar and electric coaches which should normally be in workshops for routine maintenance. The Church Gate—Grant Road Section has been particularly affected by the strike and extra booking facilities to meet the situation have been provided at Grant Road.

OVER 45,000 WORKERS IDLE IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, March 28 (A.P.I.): Over 45,000 persons are on strike or otherwise involved in industrial disputes in Calcutta, according to avail able statistics.

This includes 8,000 tramway workers and about 20,000 Calcutta Port Trust workers.

About 2,000 employees of legal firms went on strike yesterday following the rejection of their demand for increase in wages.

MESSAGE OF THE HONOURABLE MR. VAIKUNTH L. MEHTA, MINISTER FOR FINANCE, GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY

As one who has witnessed great national movements in India and in other countries building up their financial strength on the practice of thrift by the common man, I welcome every effort which serves to enable large classes of the community to practice this virtue, with advantage both to the State and to themselves. It is the aim of the Small Savings Scheme to give every individual citizen, however poor his means may be, to lay by something regularly or periodically and to entrust his scanty savings to the Government of the country.

Thrift is a virtue not unknown in India; but with the social and economic changes which came about in our midst during the last century and a half, while on the one hand the scope for making savings gradually diminished, on the other, savings came to be made in a form which deprived the community and occasionally the individuals themselves of their full benefit. Fortunately, the campaign for promoting the Small Savings Scheme was undertaken at a time when the worst effects of the great economic depression were over and it seemed possible for large numbers of the population to have something to lay by.

The campaign has succeeded, particularly in Bombay, in inducing various sections of the community to lend their large or small savings to Government. With representative and responsible Governments installed in office both at the Centre and in the Provinces, the appeal to save and lend to State for the benefit of the community should evoke a much wider response than it did in the past. Bombay's lead in the All-India drive is well-established. With the newly awakened consciousness among the people of the Province about identity of interests between themselves and those who are entrusted with the reins of administration, let us hope that this premier position which the Province enjoys will be maintained, and that the people will come to look upon the Small Savings Scheme as one which they, by their own efforts, have to make successful.

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MILITARY CALLED OUT IN CALCUTTA

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ports indicate that 8 have been killed and 32 injured.

During the evening the Chief Minister and the Chief Secretary toured the portions of the city mainly affected.

The curfew continues to be in force in eight thanas of Entally, Beliaghata, Muchipara, Burrrabazar, Bombazar, Amherst Street, Taltalla and Jorasanko and has today been extended to Manicktala.

ASSAULT, RAIDS AND CLASHES IN DACCA

DACCA, March 28 (API): Several cases of assault, raids and clashes which have no communal significance have been reported from different parts of the city since Monday last night.

Yesterday a 20-year-old student, who had appeared for the Bachelor of Agriculture examination of Dacca University was admitted to Mitford Hospital with a stab injury in his chest. In the evening yesterday another student of Dacca University was admitted to the same hospital with multiple injuries and his condition is causing anxiety.

A probationer pleader and another person are also reported to have been injured and two reading rooms damaged. One young man has been arrested.

ONE STABBED IN NEW DELHI

NEW DELHI, March 28 (API): One stabbing incident occurred at Reading Road, New Delhi, at about midnight yesterday. The victim is reported to have been stabbed while asleep in his quarters.

M. L. A. INJURED IN CLASH

Leaguers Defy Ban In Abbottabad

PESHAWAR, March 28 (API): Sahibgul Khan, M.L.A., was injured yesterday in a clash between two rival parties near the village of Chakarkot, two miles from Kohat, according to a report reaching here early this morning.

The report added that members of one party, sitting on the roof of a lorry, fired two shots at members of the rival party. The number of casualties is not known.

ARSON AND LOOT IN PUNJAB VILLAGE

LAHORE, March 28 (API): The Punjab Government issued the following Press Communique at 5 p.m. today:—

Everything remains quiet in Lahore.

At Amritsar: In view of the experiences of Katra Doulo, the police are now having all roof-tops searched for brick-bats.

As regards Kangra the village affected in Hamirpur Tahsil was village Qasian. Sixteen houses have been burnt and looted and two men are missing.

Ambala Division remains quiet everywhere as does Multan all districts of the Rawalpindi Division are reported to be quiet. The Hindu girl and the man who were abducted at Sargal have both been recovered and persons responsible have been arrested.

In Gujarat there was a small case of arson without damage in the Fort area.

Jews In Arab Garb Set Fire To Pipeline

Br. High Commissioner And G. O. C. Leave For Palestine

JERUSAEM, March 28, (Reuter): Jewish terrorists set fire to the Iraq Petroleum Company's oil pipeline near the Haifa Bay today at the same time as the High Commissioner, Sir Alan Cunningham, and the G.O.C. Maj.-Gen. Graham H. Macmillan, left London by air for Palestine after a four-day visit.

A police-military cordon was thrown round the pipeline installations after the terrorist attack, and a hunt was started for five Jews dressed as Arabs who are believed to responsible. The saboteurs dispersed after finding their escape route blocked.

The army fire brigade put out the blazing pipeline two hours after two of four bombs placed by the saboteurs exploded. The other two were duds. The explosion shook Haifa and clouds of dense black smoke swirled over th city.

In London, well-informed quarters today believed that Sir Alan Cunningham and Gen. Macmillan, during their visit to London, discussed the security measures to be taken in the event of new outbreaks of terrorism if Dov Cruner is executed.

Irgun Zvai Will Not Tolerate Any Partition

JERUSALEM, March 28. (A.P.A.): Two Irgun Zvai Leumi leaders yesterday told me in a secret interview "somewhere in Palestine" that "if the United Nations should succumb to the pressure of injustice and immorality we should be compelled to fight on, certain of the sympathy of the civilised world," says Carter Davidson, A.P.A. Staff Correspondent.

They avoided the question of Irgun's numerical strength admitting only that "recruitment is in progress insatisfactory numbers."

The organisation's view was that both Palestine and Transjordan were to be a Hebrew republic—with possibly an Arab vice-president.

Aligning themselves flatly with the "Peter Bergson Group", formed in America and ..../ operating from Asia, one Irgun spokesman praised the group for "the great work of enlightenment carried out by them in bringing home to the public of the United States and elsewhere the true character of our struggle for liberation." He added, "We cannot accept any carving up of our national territory. We are not fighting for bargaining positions but for the restoration of our homeland—all our homeland—and the liberation of our people from homelessness."

The spokesman went on, "Moreover, all these proposed plans of partition, federalisation or cantonisation are the consequences of power politics and intrigue.'

LEGISLATURES' PRIVILEGES

Firodia Announces Informal Committee To Consider And Report On Draft Bill

BOMBAY, Friday.

An informal committee to consider and report on a draft bill embodying the rights and privileges of Indian legislatures, was announced by Mr. K. S. Firodia, Speaker in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today.

In the course of a statement on the subject, Mr. Firodia recalled that ever since the Government of India Act of 1935 had come into force, a desire had been expressed on all sides to define and codify the rights and privileges of members of the Legislatures. At a conference of Speakers and Presidents held in 1939, it had been decided that a uniform law applicable to all provinces in India should be enacted. But that subject could not be pursued at that time.

Last January, there had been another conference of Speakers and Presidents in New Delhi when the Speaker of the Central Assembly was requested to prepare draft legislation. The Speaker of the Central Assembly, however, had stated that he could not undertake that responsibility unless all the Provinces sent their views. Therefore, in order to formulate the opinion of the Bombay Assembly, the Speaker had set up an informal committee. He, however, invited the suggestions and co-operation of all members who should send their reports before April 7. The Informal Committee would make a report thereafter. This report would be referred to the Legal Department to prepare a Draft Bill, which would be considered along with other similar drafts from other provinces at a conference of Speakers and Presidents in June. This would pave the way for the final legislation on the subject.

TABLES TURNED AGAINST LEAGUERS

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before he could declare it lost, Mr. Babubhai Patel, who has been acting Chief Whip of the Congress Party, in the temporary absence of Mr. Vamanrao Mukudam, asked for a poll amidst great amusement.

With the tables thus turned against them, the Muslim League party appeared to have decided not to make a party issue of the matter. The division therefore disclosed a tell-tale solitary vote for the cut and 79 votes against it.

This was the only cut motion of the day, which was not withdrawn; and this is the only division which has been asked for by a Congress member.

The Police Department with a supplementary demand of Rs. 68,05,937 also attracted one cut motion from Mr. Mirza, who particularly criticised the purchase of rifles, ammunition and 34 jeeps for the Police. He admitted the situation was normal, offered the co-operation of his party for the maintenance of peace and scouted the necessity of expending large amounts for fire-arms.

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, said that the Government could not remain indifferent to the happenings in the country and should take necessary steps to meet any emergency. As soon as the situation reached normal there would be no further necessity to equip the police with these fire-arms.

DEMAND UNDER "FORESTS"

Two ut motions were moved against a supplementary demand of Rs. 7,37,328 under the head Forests, to criticise Government's policy of rehabilitation of forests. Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin, who moved one of the cuts, said that the various schemes of afforestation involved much waste of money. Mr. Mirza, who moved the other cut, was of opinion that instead of enlarging forest areas Government should cultivate food crops in those areas under the Grow More Food Campaign.

Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Agriculture and Forests, stated in reply that only 16 per cent of the area of the province was covered by forests, although according to expert opinion it should be between 20 to 25 per cent. He made it clear that the areas selected for the afforestation scheme were waste lands unfit for cultivation.

REGULATION OF GOVT. SECURITIES

Finance Minister's Resolution In Bombay Council

BOMBAY, Friday.

When the Bombay Legislative Council met this afternoon, Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, the President of the Council, made a feeling reference to the death of Mr. N. B. Virkar an ex-M.L.C.

Mr. B. G. Kher, the Prime Minister, Mr. Appasaheb Vadak and Mr. R. M. Mandlik, paid tributes to the memory of the deceased Councillor. A condolence resolution was then adopted by the Council.

The President, then announced that the Governor of Bombay had given his assent to the following Bills:—

(1) The Bill to provide a constitution for Home Guards, (2) a Bill to amend the Municipal Act of 1881, (3) a Bill to amend the Municipal Corporation (Extension Act) of 1941, (4) a Bill to amend the Public Security Measures Act and (5) the Motor Vehicles Amendment Act.

Mr. V. L. Mehta, the Finance Minister to the Government of Bombay moved a resolution recommending to the Central Government that the Central Legislature be moved to pass an Act regulating Government Securities issued by the Bombay Government and the management by the Reserve Bank of India of the Public Debt of this Government on the lines of the Public Debt (Central Government) Act of 1944.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, moved that the House proceed to elect a member of the Bombay Legislative Council to be a member of the Provincial Council on Blindness.

Mr. Pakvasa drew the attention of the House to the necessity of submitting a draft Bill on the privileges of the provincial legislative bodies and a committee was announced consisting of Mr. Shantilal Shah, Sir Abdul Latif Haji Khan, Mr. R. R. Bakhle and Mr. S. D. Patel to draft a Bill.

The Council then discussed the demand for a supplementary grant to which the Finance Minister made a convincing reply.

The House adjourned to April 9.

Questions

RIOT CASUALTIES IN AHMEDABAD AND KOLABA

Fifty-three persons lost their lives and 336 were injured in the Ahmedabad riots during the period from July 1 to July 10, stated Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, in the Legislative Assembly, replying to a question by Mr. S. L. Karandikar. Two of them died as a result of Police firing and one of Military firing. He said that it was not in public interest to disclose how many of them were Hindus. Answering further questions by the same member, the Home Minister said that the claims for compensation preferred by persons concerned had not yet been decided and until that was done it was not possible to make an authoritative estimate of the loss and destruction of property.

The Home Minister, replying to quetsions by Mr. Karandikar on the Kolaba riots, said that nine persons were killed and thirty-one injured by police firing. There was no firing by the military. Mr. Desai answering Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin said that twenty-four persons were externed from Kolaba District of whom fifteen were Muslims and nine Hindus, as their behaviour was not conducive to the maintenance of public peace and safety in the district.

BLACKMARKETING IN CLOTH

During the course of two years ending August 31, 1946, 800 cloth dealers in the Province were either warned or prosecuted for various offences connected with black marketing, stated Mr. Dinkarrao N. Desai, Civil Supplies Minister, replying to questions by Mr. P. P. Gokhale. The Minister added that no dealers had been pardoned for gross profiteering or black marketing. The licences of 128 dealers in the Province which were suspended had been restored as they were acquitted by the courts of the offences with which they were charged.

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

According to an A.P.I. report from Madras, Dr. Subbaroyan, the Home Minister in the Congress Government of Madras, replied to a question in the Madras Assembly.

The learned doctor (who incidentally is also a leading figure in the world of sport) admitted that it was a fact that one, Parameswaram Nayar, Secretary of the South Indian Railway Labour Union, who was arrested during the Railway strike and taken to hospital for treatment of his severe head injuries was CHAINED to his cot.

Is this the Congress in office?

Not even in the worst days of the British regime, do I know of a single instance where a man in a hospital severely wounded was CHAINED to his cot.

When a Member of the Madras Assembly asked "why such a barbarous treatment was meted out to the prisoner", the Congress Home Member said: "The police have to take precautionary measures to prevent prisoners escaping and disappearing - underground."

The Member then asked: "Is it the policy of the Government to arrest persons on mere suspicion that they will go underground?"

Dr. Subbaroyan replied: "If the party to which the gentleman belongs (reference was to the Communist Party) will come out into the open and assure us that it will adhere to non-violence and follow constitutional methods ..... etc..... etc..... Government will reconsider the position."

Is this freedom under the Congress?

Is this what we fought the British for?

Is this our heritage?

It is not for the Congress as a political party to compel other political parties to change their creed. The Congress itself is no longer pledged to non-violence.

I have said it before and I say it now: You will have to fight for FREEDOM from your own countrymen after you have fought the British.

There was a time when the Congress stood for Freedom in the finest sense of that word. To-day, the meaning of that word has changed in the Congress vocabulary. The time has come when we must review our valuation of the Congress.

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Mr. A. P. Sabavala, my very dear and personal friend, is standing for Mayor all over again. Saba has Congress support on this occasion. I once believed that Saba was an ardent antagonist of the Congress. But what's a principle or a faith or a belief in comparison to sitting pretty in the Mayor's Chair?

Jai Hind! Shrijut Saba! Jai Hind!

AHRARS' VICE-PRESIDENT RESIGNS IN PROTEST

LAHORE, March 28 (UPI).—It is understood that Maulana Habibur Rehman, Vice-President of the All-India Majlis-e-Ahrar, has tendered resignation of the Vice-Presidentship and primary membership of the Party as a protest against the recent decision of the Party to sever all relations with the Congress.

He has, it is further understood, addressed a lengthy letter to the President, Maulana Attaullah Shah Bokari in this connection.

RELUCTANCE BY U. S. TO USE ATOM BOMB

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UPA). Former U. S. Minister to Bulgaria and Turkey George H. Earle told today the un-American Activities Committee that he doubted that "more than 10 per cent of us will be alive five years from now" because of the reluctance of the United States to atom-bomb Russia.

He continued: "In an atomic war we are much more vulnerable than Russia" and there is no reason to doubt that Russia would use the atom bomb if she had it because Stalin has "broken more promises than Hitler."

GBS At Home

An article on the day to day life of George Bernard Shaw enlivened by a two colour photograph and Beerbhom cartoon appears in the next issue of the B. C. Weekly.

Anything pertaining to the nonagenarian king of literary jesters is news, and the sight of April just peeping round the corner further prompted us to dish it out.

An Indian looks at post-war Europe and discovers a wasteland!

The man who literally unearthed the vestiges of the long-lost civilization of the Narbada valley lifts a corner of the curtain to reveal a new vista of Mother India's past.

All this and more. Features, photos and the latest news makes the next issue of the Bombay Chronicle Weekly a highly interesting number which you can ill afford to miss.

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Says C.R

A good weekly giving the news and presenting truthful objective pictures of situations arising from time to time ranks high in the instruments of public education. I wish the *Saturday Mail* every success. It is quite possible to be bright without losing one's accuracy or restraint or dignity of style. I am glad the *Saturday Mail* is striving in this field with a considerable success and I wish it every encouragement

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RAM GOPAL MAKES CULTURAL DANCE SHORT

"SHELL FILM UNIT" BAGS WORLD FAMOUS DANCER

By "SARDI"

Ever a disciple of Art, RAM GOPAL, of international fame, is at present in Bombay devoting his energy and talents to the making of a cultural short on dancing, being produced by the SHELL FILM UNIT with BURMA SHELL as part-sponsors, under the able direction of MISS SARAH ERULKAR.

ZEALOUS

Yesterday morning, at the Central Studios, Tardeo, I watched Ram Gopal throwing himself with zeal into the preparations for the shooting that was to begin a few hours later. He was as engrossed in what is for him a comparatively new medium, as when I have seen him at the start of many of his glittering stage presentations and as I remember him on the sets of Baburao Patel's DRAUPADI, which was the first time he did a brief sequence in a feature-length production, apart from some reels made in Hollywood, some years ago, for his sponsor CECIL B. DE MILLE'S private film library.

WOMAN DIRECTOR

Petite and charming SARAH ERULKAR is a Sociology graduate, with honours, of the London University. Born in India and bred in England, she joined the Shell Film Unit immediately after graduation, learning the ABC of film production from '44-'47.

Absurdly young in age and looks, this Indian girl is, to my knowledge, the first of our women to direct a film. She seems to have intelligence and energy entirely belied by her frail appearance. I have no doubt that she will make a good, work-man-like job of the documentary on INDIAN DANCING, after which she hopes to make another on COUNTRY CRAFT. Besides directing and editing the shorts, she will also compose the commentaries and, probably, speak them herself. There is versatility with a vengeance. Who said our women were not emancipated?

WORLD EXHIBITION

The decor for the picture is a simple dark blue background, for all the world like a summer sky. This is in keeping with Ram Gopal's own love of simplicity in preference to frills and furbelows.

The world-renown dancer will do a TILLANA (Bharata Natya) and the Dance of Siva in Kathakali technique. The latter will probably be photographed in colour.

SHEVANTI, who won innumerable plaudits for herself, recently, when she partnered Ram Gopal on his tour to Ceylon and the North, will also appear in the film. She will perform the Gopi Dance in Manipuri, and the Dance of Parvati in Kathak.

This young girl, whose talents have blossomed to ripeness under the benevolent care of Ram Gopal, will, I think, make a favourable impression on film audiences everywhere.

RAJESHWAR, a male pupil of Gopal, will execute the Allarippu and the Natanam Adinar (Bharata Natya), while GURU CHANDUPANIKA will demonstrate the Kathakali 'mudras' depicting bees and a lotus.

Thus Ram Gopal, his two pupils and the aged guru, promise to make as typical a film of Indian dancing as possible within the prescribed footage.

The film is meant for purely non-commercial exhibition and will be released on a world circuit embracing Asia, Europe, the U.S.A., the U.K., Australia and South Africa, helping India, in a sense, to shake hands with her neighbours near, and far across the seas.

Once again Ram Gopal fulfills the task of a cultural ambassador. God speed him!

Left: Danseuse Shevanti, Gopal's present dancing partner.

Left: Govindraj: stage manager and artist in private life.

Right: Sarah Erulkar, the brains behind the film venture.

Right: Dancer Rajeshwar, a pupil of Ram Gopal.

Centre: Ram Gopal.

HAMARA SCREEN

TABLOID REVIEWS

Imperial
GUJARATI TRAGEDY

This afternoon will be held the premiere of Kirti Pictures' SHETH SAGALSHAH at the above theatre.

A popular Gujarati legend forms the basis of the plot concerning a God-fearing family whose members reap the reward of their good deeds after many trials.

The cast consists of well-known personalities of the Gujarati stage such as Rani Premlata, Channalal and Pande. Avinash Vyas's musical score is a feature of this photoplay.

For saintly minds!

An interesting picture: Ram Gopal dancing on the stage of the Adelphe, London. The tamboora player on the extreme left corner is none other than today's film aspirant Rafiq Anwar.

Taj And Edward
ANOTHER LEGEND

Obviously hard up for ideas, our scenarists and producers invariably fall back on legendary tales. In SASSI PUNNU, we have yet another legend, this time from Sind.

A tragic romance, similar to "Laila Majnu" and "Shirin Farhad", from the crux of the story which has Jairaj and Geeta Nizami as ill-fated lovers.

The cast abounds in veterans such as Bibbo, Gope and E. Billimoria. The film was made under the baton of J. P. Advani with music by Govindram.

For the romantic.

Roxy
LIGHT COMEDY

Filmistan's EIGHT DAYS is yet another starring vehicle for Ashok Kumar and Veera.

In light vein, the film records the humorous adventures of a war veteran with a Utopian scheme for world-betterment. His plans are hampered by his doting mother's attempts to find him a match.

Leela Misra has a sparkling role as the flustering 'mater familias'. The lyrics of Gopal Singh Nepali, set to music by Kumar Barua, embellish the picture.

For light-comedy fans.

Opera House
HISTORICAL ALLEGORY

VEERANGANA from the Laxmi Studios, is a chapter from the annals of Rajput history, set in the times of Akbar the Great.

The producers have sought to draw a parallel between the freedom struggle of the Rajputs against the Moghul conquerors and all such contemporary freedom movements.

Prem Adib and Shobhana Samarth lead the cast composed, amongst others, of Jeevan and Badri Prasad.

Ram Gopal's Orchestra.

The megaphone was wielded by Nandlal Jeshwantlal.

For costume-drama fiends.

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Tribal 'Jirga' Demands Return Of Khyber

Refusal To Deal With Present Constituent Assembly

PESHAWAR, March 27, (A.P.I.): The Governor of the North-West Frontier Province Sir Olaf Caroe addressing the annual Jirga (representative assembly) of about 5,000 tribesmen at Jamrud, the eastern gate of the Khyber Pass, today advised them to "remain united in these stormy and fateful days in the history of India" and help him in preserving the peace.

All clans of the Afridi, Shinwari, Shilmani and Nullagiori tribes inhabiting the Khyber Pass area were represented at the Jirga which, in a memorandum to the Governor, asked that the Khyber Pass should be returned to the tribes when the British left India; that the Tribal Advisory Committee of the Constituent Assembly should not visit their area unless the Congress and the Muslim League reached an agreement; that the tribes should not be handed over to the future Government of India without their consent; and that the communal situation in India should be brought under control immediately.

Replying to the representation in Pushtu, the Governor asked the tribesmen to remember that "you are the guardians of the northwest gateway of India and the Khyber Pass is yours. You can have agreement with any new Government in power in India on independent lines when the time comes".

The Governor counselled the tribesmen to be patient and to keep aloof from the present Indian conflict. He said: "The most important thing in maintaining law and order. His is peace and I ask you to help me Excellency assured the Jirga that their representation would be considered carefully by the authorities.

Text Of Representation

The representation which was submitted to the Governor by Malik Abdul Latif Khan, as spokesman of the tribes, made these points:—

"We understand that the British intend to hand over the Administration of India to the people of India. If this is so then the Khyber Pass should be returned to us.

"When there was a debate on India a short while ago in Parliament, the future of the provinces and of the Indian States was discussed, but nothing was said about the tribal area. We would like to know why the tribal areas were not mentioned. Are we to understand that we are in the same position as the people of Afghanistan considering the fact that our Treaty and Agreements have been with the British alone, and when British leave India our agreement with them shall no longer be binding on us?

ATTITUDE TO CONSEMBLY

"We hear that a Tribal Advisory Committee nominated by the present Constituent Assembly, which we regard as purely a Hindu body, will shortly be visiting this part of the country. We are not prepared to deal with this Committee. We request that this Committee should postpone its visit till the Muslim League, which is the representative of Muslim India, and the Congress which represents Hindus, have first put their own differences right.

For this reason we had said before also that Pandit Jawharlal Nehru should not visit the Khyber. When the Muslims and Hindus come together, then we shall negotiate with them ourselves. We want to make it quite clear now that under no circumstances we will agree to be handed over to the future Government of India without our consent.

HINDU-MUSLIM TENSION

"There is acute tension between the Muslims, Hindus and Sikhs all over the country. Although we belong to no political organisation, nor do we take part in Indian politics, yet being Muslims, our sympathies are with our Muslim brethren. We request, therefore, that the situation be brought under control soon, as we fear that it will have sooner or later its reaction in the tribal areas, and the whole of Frontier will be set ablaze. We consider, therefore that it would be better if the Governor took the Administration of the Frontier Province in his own hands.

"We have said it many times before, and say it again, that we have rendered valuable services and help to the Government in the prosecution of the war generally and in the construction of defence work in Khyber in particular. In return we hope and expect that the Government would increase our "Mawajib" and "Lungis". Government has sanctioned dearness allowances for all its servants but the amount of our allowances is the same, though the value of the rupee has gone down considerably.

FOOD SHORTAGE

"There is an acute shortage of foodgrain in the Agency. We reques foodgrain in the Agency. We request that arrangements may please be made before the people go so hungry as to become desperate.

"The services of the late Nawab Zaman Khan, Kuki Khel, are too wellknown to be mentioned. We, the 'jirga', request that the allowance of the late Nawab Sahib may very kindly be restored to his sons.

"In the past the proceedings of our 'jirga' were broadcast on the radio only partially. We request that either full news be given, or else nohing at all should be said.

"One Abdul Jalil Abdulagori, who was 'patwari' in Manzai Circle, was involved in the murder of a man of Abazai some years ago. On hearing that he was involved in murder, Abdul Jalil absconded, and has ever since been residing in Mullagori country. His lands in the District were confiscated and his uncle paid Rs. 2,000 as fine on his behalf. We request that Abdul Jalil may be set free now."

Photo shows Col. Young addressing the EKCO dealers' conference recently convened by Messrs. Fazalbhoy Ltd. at the Taj Mahal Hotel, Bombay. On his left is Mr. Y. A. Fazalbhoy and on his right Mr. M. A. Fazalbhoy and Mr. Hunt the EKCO technical expert who with Col. Young came by air from England specially to attend the conference.

NON-FERROUS METALS CONTROLS TO GO

The Government of Bombay has decided that it is no longer in the public interest to continue the existing control over non-ferrous metals and brass, copper and aluminium utensils.

Owing to the fluctuations in the prices and supply of the metal, which is mainly imported into India, and also to the difficulties in drawing up and enforcing a suitable schedule of prices for the finished utensils, the system of control has not fully justified itself by benefiting either the small producer or the ordinary user of utensils.

There is, moreover, a general public desire to be relieved of controls over, at any rate, those articles unlike cereals, which are not absolutely essential to daily life.

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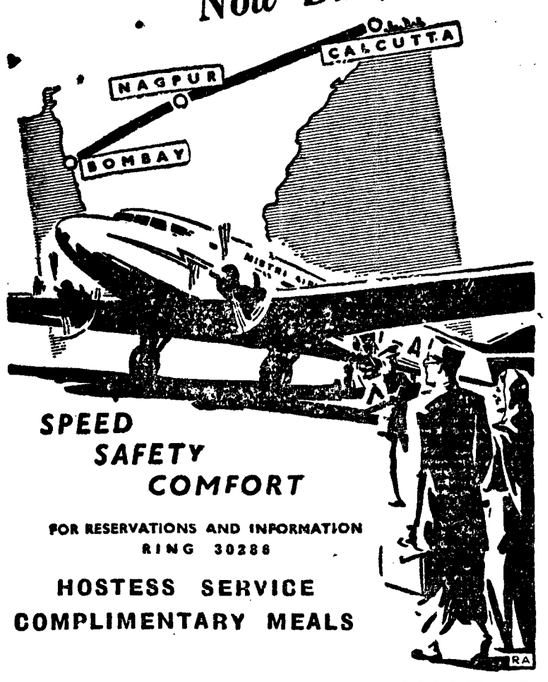

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Recognition Of Indonesian Republic Ends Dutch Blockade

NEW DELHI, March 28 (A.P.I.): The 'de facto' authority of President Soekarno's Republican Government over the islands of Java, Sumatra and Madoera has been recognised under the recent agreement signed between the Dutch Government's Commission-Central and the Republicans, the Indonesian Delegation to the Asian Relations Conference now in Delhi explained today.

In a written statement, the Delegation stated that the agreement brought to an end, the political, economic and military blockade of Indonesia by the Dutch, which has now gone on for over eighteen months.

"The agreement means that the Dutch military forces have no task whatsoever in Indonesia and should immediately be withdrawn from all Indonesian territories.

"The seventy million Indonesian people can now fully accomplish the upbuilding of their own country and countribute to world trade and to the solution of other economic and political problems in the interest of world peace and world prosperity."

Sixty out of the seventy million population of Indonesia are resident in the islands of Sumatra, Java and Madoera which are the most populated over which the Republican Government holds sway.

The other ten million are thinly spread out in the numerous small outer islands of Indonesia. Some of these have now formed themselves into an Eastern State while yet others remain under Dutch occupation.

Under the Dutch-Republican Agreement signed a week ago, Dr. Agous Salim, one of the delegates to the Asian Conference and formerly Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs in Dr. Shahriar's Cabinet, explained today, it had been provided that by 1st January 1947, all the islands constituting Indonesia would have held free elections based on democratic practice, framed a constitution and become the United States of Indonesia. Now that the agreement has been signed with the Dutch, the Republican Government would take up with them details of the election procedure, as to who should troop these outer islands during the elections, etc.

The nature of the relationship between the future United States of Indonesia and the Dutch would have to be decided later on, Dr. Salim added. The agreement signed recently provided for an agreement for common purposes, such as defence, between the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the United States of Indonesia on a completely equal footing.

Dr. Shahriar, Premier of the Republican Government, is likely to arrive in Delhi in the next few days in response to a fresh invitation from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Indonesian delegates in Delhi stated this morning. Originally Dr. Shahriar was to have led the Delegation to the Conference, but was prevented from doing so as he had to stay back for signing the agreement with the Dutch. Now that this has been done, Indonesian circles think he might take the opportunity of visiting India while the Asian Conference is still in session.

CULTURAL REPRESENTATION OF INDIA IN U.S.A.

Hari Govil Plans For A Branch Of India Society In Every Large City

NEW YORK, March 28 (Reuter): The cultural representation of India in every large city in the United States is planned by Mr. Hari Govil, President of the India Society of America.

Mr. Govil returned to New York last night from Washington after conferring with Ambassador Asaf Ali on the Society's "India Centre" project and Indo-American cultural conference to be held in New York at the end of April. He announced that 50,000 had already been contributed towards the cost of the 75 000 dollar building drive in which the centre will be housed.

Mr. Govil told Reuter "We are opening a Washington branch of the India Society very shortly and I am leaving for Boston in the course of the next few days to establish a second branch. We hope by the end of the year to have at least half a dozen branches in operation throughout America".

Injunction Granted

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Coyajee)

Kaikhushroo Sorabji Joshi .. Plaintiff
vs.
Sheriar Khodaram Irani .. Defendant

The plaintiff who owned a cloth-shop at Grant Road in his own name had on 1st February 1944 sold the shop with the stock-in-trade and goodwill for Rs. 20,000 to the defendant. Disputes arose over certain articles stored in the rear of the shop which the plaintiff claimed were his personal property. The defendant having removed some of these articles, the plaintiff prosecuted him for criminal misappropriation. The defendant also claimed that all communications addressed to the plaintiff through post should be delivered at the shop.

At the hearing of the criminal case on 19th March 1945 an agreement by way of compromise was arrived at under which all articles in dispute, except two sewing machines were to be returned to the plaintiff, and the defendant agreed to carry on the business of the shop in his own name but as "successes to Kaikhushru S. Joshi." On that the criminal was compounded with the permission of the Magistrate. The plaintiff contended that the defendant had committed breach of this agreement by aiming to carry on and advertise the business in the name of the plaintiff. The plaintiff, therefore, filed this suit for a declaration that the agreement was valid, for an order that it shoud be specifically performed by the defendant and for an injunction restraining the defendant from carrying on the shop in the plaintiff's name. His Lordship granted these reliefs claimed and decreed the suit in favour of the plaintiff with costs.

Mr. P. P. Khambatta and Mr. H. D. Banaji instructed by Messrs. Jehangir and Seervai appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. M. P. Laud and Mr. S. S. Rangnekar instructed by Messrs. Dinkerrao and Parekh appeared for the defendant.

APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL LIQUIDATOR

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tendolkar)

In the matter of the Associated Banking Corporation of India Limited Amzet Ltd. .... Petitioner.

The petitioners, who had by their petition dated 19th March 1945 applied that the above Bank be wound up, made an application to his lordship on Monday afternoon praying for the appointment of a Provisional Liquidator of the Bank in order to safeguard the interests of its creditors.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga who appeared on behalf of the Bank had already approached the Registrar of Companies to investigate its affairs and to submit a report to the Court. As the Registrar, wanted some time for that purpose, Sir Jamshedji asked for an adjournment of this application till the Registrar made his report in order to enable the Bank to renew its application for Moratorium.

On the Bank undertaking to hand over possession of all its books to the Registrar in the course of Tuesday, and also the books of its branch offices, his lordship adjourned the hearing of the application to 2nd April next.

Mr. M. V. Desai and Mr. K. T. Desai instructed by Messrs. Pereira Fazalbhoy and Co. appeared for the petitioning creditors.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha and Mr. S. D. Vimadalal instructed by Messrs. Pereira Fazalbhoy and Co. appeared for supporting creditors claim over Rs. 27 lakhs in the aggregate.

Mr. S. D. Vimadalal instructed by Messrs. Dayaji and Dipchand appeared for J. J. Shah, a contributory.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga instructed by Messrs. Wadia Gandhy & Co. appeared for the Bank.

ASAF ALI MAY VISIT INDIA IN APRIL

NEW DELHI, March 28 (U.P.I.): Mr. Asaf Ali, the first Indian Ambassador in Washington, is expected to pay a short visit to India towards the end of April next, presumably to discuss his plans for setting up an entirely new organisation for the Indian Embassy there.

It is understood after studying the situation in America with special reference to India's requirements during the first three months of assumption of charge as Ambassador, Mr. Asaf Ali proposes to discuss with Pandit Nehru plans for a completely new set-up of his office there.

Mr. Asaf Ali is likely to return to America by the middle of May when Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali will also accompany him.

TRIBUTE TO MEMORY OF BHAGAT SINGH

Eloquent tributes were paid to the memory of Bhagat Singh, at a largely attended meeting, held to observe 'Bhagat Singh Day' at Shivaji Park, Dadar, on Sunday evening.

Mr. Asoka Mehta, the Socialist leader, observed that since the dawn of civilisation, India has been seething with revolutionary zeal. This zeal was intensified since British captured India Bhagat Singh was one of those, in whom the revolutionary zeal reached its perfection. Mehta felt sorry at the recent happeenings in the Punjab, the province, where Bhagat Singh was born.

Mr. Adam Adil stated that one of the objects for which Bhagat Singh laid down his life, that is, the attainment of freedom, was being realised. But the second object of his martyrdom, that is the creation of Socialist Society in India was yet to be achieved. Mr. Adil urged that Indians would have to struggle for Socialisation of India, to perpetuate the memory of Bhagat Singh and other martyrs in country's cause.

Mr. Acharya Atre, Mr. Rama Joshi, Mr. Bhau Saheb Navalkar and others also addressed the gathering.

SIKH OFFER TO TARA SINGH

CAWNPORE, March 27 (A.P.I.): Before his departure about 25 Sikh leaders of Cawnpore met Master Tara Singh and announced their decision to contribute ten per cent of the monthly income towards the Punjab Relief Fund till the Anti-Pakistan movement in the Punjab was successful.

Bihar Muslims Return From Refugee Camps

Gandhiji's Visit Inspires Them With Courage And Faith

JAHANABAD (Gaya), March 27 (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi on his tour of affected villages traversed today nearly 50 miles, visiting isolated villages 10 to 15 miles from his headquarters here.

Early morning, Mahatma Gandhi visited the villages Amthua and Belai. As Mahatma Gandhi's car speeded through the country roads and sometimes across the unfurrowed fields, truck load of Muslim League workers with League Flag flying on the bonnet followed him On arrival at each village, League workers getting down their truck flung a cordon, round Mahatma Gandhi from thousands of men and women who rushed up to him. After visiting these villages Mahatma Gandhi encamped at the high school at Ghosi Village for the day. With Mahatma Gandhi, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan also visited the villages.

In the afternoon Mahatma Gandhi gave few interviews and started again for other villages.

At the village Okri he held his evening prayers and then returned to his headquarters here at night.

MUSLIM FAMILIES RETURN

Mahatma Gandhi's visit to these villages had drawn many Muslim families back to their homes from different refugee camps. Some had come two or three days ago especially for Mahatma Gandhi's visit. Similar trend was also noticeable when Mahatma Gandhi was visiting different villages in Noakhali and Tipperah.

Mahatma Gandhi will visit tomorrow morning the Muslim League camp and the refugees. After visiting villages Malathi and Gangasagar he will proceed to Alahganj where prayer will be held and then he will reach Makdumpur from where he will leave by special train for Patna.

U. S. PRESS FRONT-PAGE INDIAN NEWS

Mountbatten's Inauguration As Viceroy And Riots Occupy Prominent Place

NEW YORK, March 27. (Reuter): United States reaction to Lord Mountbatten's inauguration as Viceroy of India and news of the Hindu-Muslim rioting continues to receive prominence in the American press.

The Conservative paper New York "Sun", in an editorial entitled "Lord Mountbatten's unique task", asserts that Lord Mountbatten's appointment is "clearly the most abnormal Viceroyalty since the acceptance of Queen Victoria as Empress of India of 1857 gave the title of Viceroy to the Governor-General. While the first consideration of Lord Mountbatten's predecessors has been to tighten the economic and political bonds holding India to Great Britain, his job is to see that those ties are broken. They are to be replaced, if they can be, by others which will bind India to the British Commonwealth, but these must be of India's weaving.

Lord Mountbatten knew what he was doing. He played no favourites in appealing for a temperate approach which may end the rioting and should have reached sympathetic ears with his admission 'I shall need the goodwill of the greatest possible number and I am asking India to-day for that goodwill'.

The New York "Sun" adds:

"Whatever be India's response to this direct abrupt approach that of the rest of the world will be favourable. It is an auspicious beginning of an unique assignment".

GRATING NEWS.

The widely read news Magazine 'Time", in a column-long dispatch on Lord Mountbatten's inauguration, declared, "The smooth 'dick' Mountbatten who hoped to soothe India into unity by June 1948 was greeted by grating news. The Governments of one princely state and two provinces representing 70,000,000 people served notice that they meant to set up independent states when British rule is ended. They were prosperous Travancore, heavily Muslim Sind, and Muslim-run Bengal, scene of some of the worst Muslim versus Hindu disorders in recent months. That was only, doubtless, the beginning of Lord Mountbatten's troubles as the last of 26 Viceroys".

Another American Magazine "Newsweek" heading its Indian story "Pathans in red shirts" devotes most of its Indian news to the activities of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, "the strapping bearded Pathan chieftain known as 'Frontier Gandhi' for his Mahatma-like spiritual creed", and describes the rioting in the North West Frontier province last week. The report declares": "from time to time bands of Muslims garlanded with orange blossoms and waving green Muslim banners, marched past shuttered mud-brick shops of frightened Hindus and Sikhs shouting 'Pakistan Zindabad'. Weary sepoys working for a non-League Government bundled them into wagons and carted them to jail".

BOSTON (Massachusetts), March 27. (Reuter): Stating that the British have tried to create a sense of urgency by making their schedule of withdrawal from India more definite, the American Magazine "Atlantic Monthly" comments on Indian politics in a report on the Far East.

"The British have obtained the initiative all along but only if they can force the Indians to make proposals for workable compromises and adjustments can they see that initiative to advantage.

"The coalitions of men seeking power are so loose and untiable that the British wish that they could tighten them up sufficiently to be able to deal with a firmer political texture.

"The British believe that once the Indians have decided that they really want things to work, it will be found that only with British co-operation will they work properly.

Economic Disorder In Germany

Foreign Minister To Tackle Problem After Settlement On Repatriation Issue

MOSCOW, March 28. (A. P. A.): The Anglo-American fight to curtail Soviet withdrawals of industrial equipment from Austria as German assets entered the show-down stage today with some hope on the part of Marshall, Bevin and Bidault that a solution might be near which would clear the way to complete the Austrian treaty at Moscow.

The Council of Foreign Ministers is also due to receive a report from the co-ordinating committee which is badly entangled trying to list the disagreements and agreements at which the Foreign Ministers have arrived on German economic and political problems.

This may well bring the Council back to discussion of the most vital task facing it here—what to do about the present economic disorder in Germany.

The first break on the Austrian treaty negotiations came last night when Bidault submitted a compromise proposal defining German assets in Austria which roughly paralleled those of Britain and America. Molotov then put a counter-proposal to the Council. It was unacceptable to the other three but the hope was that in the negotiations today he would agree to modifications which would make it acceptable.

The situation is essentially this: The Allies are all agreed to take up German assets outside Germany as part of their war reparations and the Soviets have been given the exclusive right to such assets in the eastern zone of Austria The British and Americans have contended for a long time that the Soviets have taken properties from their zone which were not properly German assets but actually property which the Germans virtually stole from Austria after the 1938 annexation. Their position is that this property belongs to Austria and the assets should be defined in such a way as to prevent Austria being stripped.

The issue which involves the properties that the Soviets badly want for their own industrialisation, has become the chief stumbling block in the way of work on the Austrian treaty.

MAHASABHA LEADERS RETURNS TO DELHI

NEW DELHI, March 27 (A.P.I.): Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, President, and Mr. Ashutosh Lahiry, General Secretary, All-India Hindu Mahasabha, returned to Delhi yesterday after a four days tour in the Punjab.

Mr. Bhopatkar is leaving for Poona tomorrow.

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Two Candidates For Mayor's Election

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Mayor's election for 1947-48 will take place on Tuesday the 1st April in the Corporation Hall There are two candidates for this office, viz: Mr. A. P. Sabawala and Mr. N. C. Bharucha. Mr. Sabawala has the support of the Congress Municipal Party and has every chance of success.

RATION OFFICE CLERK ARRESTED

BOMBAY, Friday.

Dattatrya Pundalik Mahimkar, a clerk attached to the 'F' Ward rationing Office along with two others including a authorised retail ration distributor, were arrested by the Anti-Corruption Branch C.I.D. yesterday evening on a charge of offering Rs. 200 as illegal gratification to a Rationing Inspector for hushing up a case in which rations were drawn against the card of a person who had left Bombay.

They were placed before Mr. Rege, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court today, and allowed bail pending further investigation.

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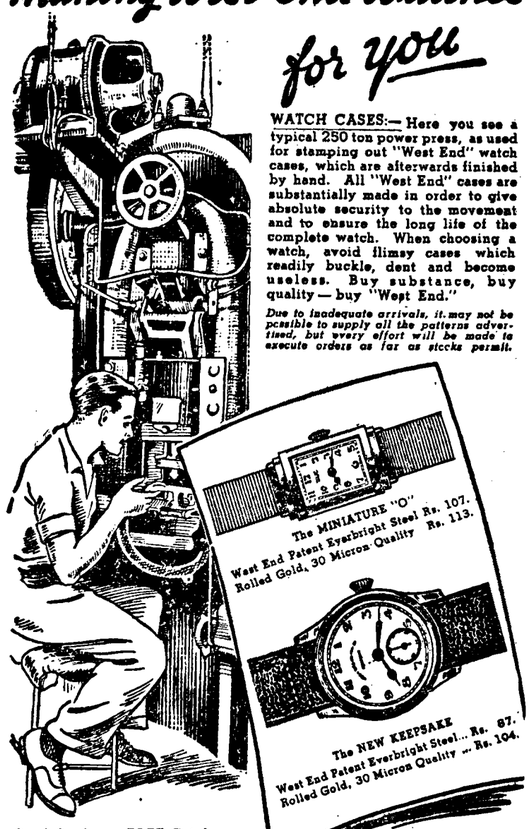
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OUR READERS' VIEWS

B. E. S. T. Strike

Sir,—It is really unfortunate that the strikers are ill-advised in continuing the strike and are adamant in their demands, without agreeing to refer the matter to adjudication, thereby causing much inconvenience to the public, whose support and sympathy, I dare say, they will not get at this juncture.

As far as I find, their claim for a portion of the goodwill money is unjustifiable and untenable. As the company have stated they paid a heavy premium to its predecessor and they are naturally to be reimbursed. The plea that the company is getting a goodwill purely due to the employees, loyal co-operation in working the service, is absurd. When railway and telephone companies were taken over by the Government, their employees did not ask for any goodwill share in the goodwill money that the several railway companies got the Government. Under the circumstance, it would have been better if the employees could have asked for a three months' salary as bonus, as the company parting gift. That would have been more legitimate and will have the public support. As regards increase in wages, I am sure, the adjudicator will take the existing high cost of living into consideration and will decide favourably.

I really wonder as to why the Municipal Corporation, which has ever so many important things to be attended to, is taking over this concern at the moment, by paying goodwill money to the company, when they get it without payment of any goodwill money after 1961. Let the company run the services till then, which is not for off. This will not only solve the present deadlock, but will give the Municipality an opportunity to invest that amount in the construction of houses, tenaments and to launch vigorously 'Grow more food campaign! The Government will certainly consider this aspect of the question. Many are homeless and the food-stuffs are scarce and are selling at very high prices. The Municipality will do well to open catering houses and canteens and sell food-stuffs at very reasonable prices. That will be a welcome idea, and the Congress members, who are in a majority in the Government and in the Corporation and who say that they are the depends of the poor, should defer the proposal of taking over the company till after 1961.

R. V. MANI.

Eliminate Tramways

Sir,—Three days have elapsed since the B. E. S. T. traffic staff struck work. Apart from the causes and the consequences of the strike, it is gratifying to note that the roads through which tramcars used to pass up and down are quieter than what they used to be before the strike. Large crowds and much noise will be eliminated by the termination of this system of transport and replacing the same by second class buses with the same rates of fare as tramcars. This will not only ensure quick transport which is so essential in this busy city of Bombay but will also remove the net-work of wires and huge pillars and will leave the roads clearer to the other traffic. The Kalbadevi and Girgaum roads are so congested that if a tramcar is passing, there is no sufficient space left for a bus or other big vehicle to pass by. Besides, crowds of persons are walking on these roads, major portions of which are without footpaths and are faced with risks of frequent accidents. Is it not worthwhile that the company should seriously consider the question of replacing tramcars by buses retaining the same rates of fare, or the Government should direct the company in the interest of the general public to take up this question of vital importance?—Yours, etc.

J. REUBEN

Labour Unrest In India

Sir,—At this time of India's industrialization, we have much to profit from an industrially advanced country like America, who has also had her share of labour unrest.

To this end, I reproduce an excerpt from the "Reader's Digest" of February 1947, in the hope that our so-styled Labour Leaders will not mislead their gullible union members by false promises to their detriment.

"Here is sound, straight thinking by the American Federation of Labour from a recent Bulletin to their members. This sort of commonsence is the way to the prosperity America could and should have. "Increased efficiency is the way to higher wages, lower prices for the consumer, a better market for your products and a more secure job for you. Traditionally America has paid for rising wages by increasing productivity and this is the only way to raise living standards. The other alternative—to pay for wage increases by raising prices, is no gain at all for workers, because living cost increases cancel wage gains. This is the American way to mutual prosperity".

From the very nature of the B.E.S.T. Coy's strike demands, i.e. 50 per cent of the goodwill money when this concern is sold to the Bombay Municipality and the complete Indianization of the staff, in a public utility Company where there surely must be several non-Indian share-holders, it is fairly obvious that this so-called industrial strike has a political bias, which element fortunately has so far been absent in other strikes. It seems reasonable to assume that the Communists are trying to cash-in during a period of communal tension.

From the newspaper account of the negotiations last Sunday, we citizens were glad to find that the Labour Minister and the Managing Director of the Coy. did everything humanly possible to bring about an amicable settlement to prevent the strike, but to no avail I believe that I am expressing public opinion that this class of labour has lost public sympathy.

As an ex?military man formerly attached to the Vehicle Branch of Ornance, I believe that the Army Labour exchanges would be only too glad to put the Labour Minister in touch with ex-Army Heavy Duty Motor Vehicle drivers and techicians, as also for the necessary supervisory and clerical staff. If these men helped to win the war they can help to bring peace in India.

It is true that some inconvenience will be caused during the period that this new staff are learning their job, but here a big principle is involved, the handling of which will either make or mar the whole industrial future of India.

We citizens were glad to find that our Ministers intended to make a firm stand by enforcing the Adjudication Order under the Defence of India Act, and the present calls for prompt action.

This strike is nothing short of sabotage of India's Industrial Development and if our Ministers fail to enforce the Adjudication Clause soon, they will lose their prestige in the eyes of the Citizens of Bombay.

Incidentally, it is to be hoped that the Hon: Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan, Finance Member, will see this letter and take note of the extract quoted above.

"A. FOOTSLOGGER"

Unwanted Cinema-Houses

Sir,—It is surprising to find that Mehta Properties Ltd. have asked the permission to build a new cinema house of Mathew Road Housing shortage in Bombay is well-known and to build a cinema in a residential locality at the cost of spacious place where numerous families military requirements and so many families had to find immediate acposes, a new cinema house is now ed by the Central Government for building them for residential purs is surprising to find that instead of building ngs is nothing short of vandalism. These buildings were requisitioned can be accommodated in hasility commodation elsewhere. These buildings have now been returned and it proposed to be erected in the locality.

There are more than a score of cinemas in Girgaum locality and it is highly objectionable to give permission for a new cinema house. Government are now in search of healthy and peaceful localities for peaceful citizens and any permission granted in such a locality would be nothing but an encroachment upon the civil rights of the public.

It is to be hoped that no such licence would be given for the erection of a new cinema house in this locality. I go further and say that instead of giving permission for the construction of a new cinema house, already some of the existing cinemas should be requisitioned and the sites occupied by them should be utilised for building residential quarters and such building enterprises should be subsidised by the Government.

PRATAP SAMPAT.

Clean Racing

Sir,—For some time past I have observed that Mr. D. E. Karaka is exclusively utilising his column 'Off My Chest' as a campaign against the manner in which the Maharaja of Gwalior has been running his running horses this season. There has been no denial of charges from the other side. The Stewards of R. W. T. C. have also followed the policy 'Mums the word' to the none too flattering observation made regarding them.

I have never been a keen or enthusiastic race-goer. In fact I have attended only few meetings this year. But those I did and now to come to think of it, I was always the loser in backing Gwalior horses. Either they never won a race in which I was interested or else won a one which I had given up as a bad job. At that time I did not pay much attention to these losses as I took them to be the outcome of fickleness of Dame Fortune but reading now the disclosures of Mr. D. F. Karaka I keenly feel the loss.

The Bombay Government is bent upon abolishing this sport. It is, however, being represented that an instantaneous abolition will mean a heavy loss to persons who have heavily invested in Horse Breeding Industry. They desire a breathing space of ten years. The Government may accede to this request. In which case, will it be too much to expect that the Government does take measures to ensure clean racing during the interval.—Yours, etc

AMARJIT SINGH.

Kirkee.

'Off My Chest"

Sir,—I read Mr. Karaka's column "Off My Chest" fairly regularly and I have often wondered whether he writes something because he just has to write something or because he has something worthwhile to write about. His writings have on many occasions been severely criticised by your readers and described as 'piffle' "puerile", "trash", "irresponsible" and so on, yet neither Mr. Karaka nor his column show any change or improvement. I know that certain foreign journalists or columnists have earned fame, popularity and wealth by their "personal" columns, and I should like to know whether Mr. Karaka is trying to imitate them, whether their writing is and was of the same type as Mr. Karaka's whether any comparison can be made and if so, whether Mr. Karaka can be classed as good as or superior or inferior to the American columnists. It should do Mr. Karaka a great deal of good to know just what your readers think of him as a columnist.

Now about breast-feeding in public. Mr. Karaka wrote as if it was the first time he had seen the objectionable sight he referred to. I have seen such a sight many a time during the various stages of my life, so I am sure this is not a new evil habit among our women. Mr. Karaka was disgusted at the sight, and perhaps many others like him who are western in outlook or were educated in or have visited western countries, may feel equally disgusted, but I am sure no average Indian is inclined to feel so strongly about it. Every woman, whether she is a Hindu or Muslim, rich or poor, educated or illiterate, covers her breasts with a part of her sari when breast-feeding her child, whether in privacy or in public. Even Mr. Karaka will not, I am certain, deny that Indian women are, generally speaking, of a more modest and shy nature than women of any western countries, and I am sure no woman would breast-feed her child in public unless the child cried for the feed and could not be pacified without letting it have it. A woman who has a child which is breastfed will not go out of the home unless she has to go, and will not take the child with her unless there is some one at home with whom it can be left. If a woman goes out with her child and the child cries for a feed and will not be satisfied without it, what else can the poor woman do but breast-feed the child, and what would Mr. Karaka suggest her to do?

Mr. Karaka cannot be unware of the fact that at aerodromes, railway stations and piers, where people enter aeroplanes, trains and ships to go to distant places or countries, foreign men and women hug and embrace and kiss each other good-bye in the presence of Indians to whom kissing in public is taboo and who feel awkward and disgusted at the sight. Has Mr. Karaka or anyone else thought of protesting against such public kissing? Public kissing, which is a foreign custom, like many other foreign customs is a disgusting and repulsive sight to Indians, the people of this country. I believe, therefore, men like Mr. Karaka should first protest against foreign customs repulsive and offensive to Indians, which are practised in this country, before protesting against native customs and habits which might offend and disgust the foreigners and those who behave like foreigners in their own country.

Yours, etc.

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THE KWANS OF CHINA...

In China, tea is not an informal pleasure, but an important and exacting ceremony. It is proffered to guests as they enter the house. It is taken from a cup with a lid but no handles, and tea leaves are infused in the cup itself. Milk and sugar are not served. It takes practice and skill to drink, raising the lid with one finger slightly. The offer of a second cup of tea is usually a polite hint that it is time the guest left. In China, land of indirect speech and eloquent gesture, tea serves not only as the chosen beverage of a great nation, but as a gracious vehicle for hints, compliments, negotiations and friendships. Forty crores of Chinese drink tea, from morning till night to their pleasure, comfort and refreshment.

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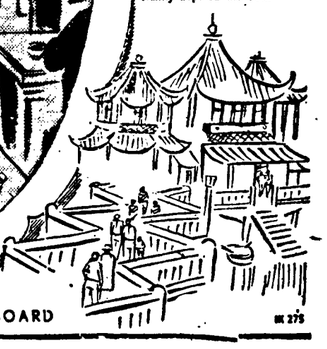

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ACTIVE SHORT COVERING IN COTTON MARKET

Gold Steady And Silver Quiet

BOMBAY, March 28.

The local cotton market was fairly steady today with slightly improved buying. It is said that some shippers were buying and the market displayed good undertone.

At the opening May was quoted at Rs. 436/- and advanced at Rs. 437/8. July contract was quoted at Rs. 451/- while September delivery business was reported at Rs. 461.

May delivery improved at Rs. 437/12 but thereafter steadied at Rs. 437/4 under scattered selling.

Later on the market firmed up on short covering influenced by higher upcountry advices and improved demand for Spot Cotton. May delivery advanced at Rs. 439/8 and closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. May	439	4	0
I.C.C. July	453	4	0
I.C.C. Sept.	463	6	0

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.
BOMBAY, March 27.

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing.
May	436-3/4	434-3/4	436
July	450-1/4	449	449-1/4
Sept.	460-1/4	459	459-1/4
Karachi 4F May	46-12-9	46-7-6	46-11-6

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, March 28.

The Bullion Market was quietly steady with a restricted business. There was scattered realising in Gold otherwise Silver section continues manipulated by professional operators.

Vaisnakn Gold opened at Rs;. 100/14 and improved at Rs. 101/4 under scattered buying but the improvement attracted long liquidation and Vaishakh Gold declined at Rs. 100/10. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 101/12 while Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 68/8. Vaishakh Silver opened at Rs. 156 but weakness in Gold induced scattered liquidation and the market was quiet at Rs. 155/12. Spot Silver was placed at Rs. 161/8.

Later on Silver was quiet and Vaishakh was quoted at Rs. 155/6 while Vaishakh Gold business was done at Rs. 100/11.

The market closed as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	161	0	0
Vaishakh Delivery	155	12	0
Ready Gold	102	8	0
Vaishakh Gold	101	4	0
Sovereigns	68	12	0

SHARE BAZAR

BOMBAY March 28.

The Governing Body of the Bombay Stock Exchange decided to keep the market closed upto Monday when the situation will be reconsidered. Thus the market will open on Tuesday as per present arrangement and in the meantime budla rates are given for the fortnightly settlement.

At present the market sentiment remains nervous and it is doubtful whether normal trading will be restored prior to the settlement. In view of the present state, it is not advisable to allow forward trading and in the interest of investors, the only course left is to put all transactions on cash basis.

The following quotations were officially fixed:—

DELIVERY RATES.

STEEL:—Tata S. Deferred 2270; Tata S. Ordinary 415: Indian Iron 36; Bengal Steel 27.

TEXTILES:—B. Dyeing 2230; Central India 305; Finlay 295; Gokak 290: Kohinoor 715; New Great 350; Simplex 300; Svadeshi 620; Swan 360; Apollo 4/4/0; Edward 640; Ind. U. Defd. 3/8/0; Ind. U. Ord. 16; Indore 570; Khatau 315; Meyer 270; Podar 340; Century 935; Colaba 240.

ELECTRIC:—Tram 110.

MISCELLANEOUS:—Associated Cement 175; Belapur 250; Burma Old 465; P. Construction 200; Scindia 32; Tata Oil 80; Tata Chemical 17; Bleaching 165

BUDLEE DIFFERENCES.

STEELS:—Tata S. Deferred 6; Tata S. Ordinary 1; Indian Iron 0/1/6; Bengal Steel 0/1/3.

TEXTILES:—B. Dyeing 6; Central India 1; Finlay 1; Gokak 1; Kohinoor 2; New Great 1; Simplex 0/12/0; Svadeshi 1/12; Swan 1; Apollo 1; Edward 1/12; Ind. U. Defd. 1; Ind. U. Ord. 0/1/0; Indore 1/8; Khatau 1; Meyer 0/12/0; Podar 1; Century 2/8; Colaba 0/12.

ELECTRIC:—Tram 0/4/0.

MISCELLANEOUS:—Associated Cement 0/8/0; Belapur 0/12/0; Burma Old 1/4/0; P. Construction 0/8/0; Scindia 0/1/3; Tata Oil 0/4/0; Tata Chemical 0/1/0; Bleaching 0/8/0.

INTEREST.

TEXTILES:—B. Dyeing 40; Finlay 15; Gokak 12; Kohinoor 13; New Great 17/8; Swan 20; Apollo 0/4/0; Khatau 6; Century 15; Colaba 8;

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, March 28.

Tata Ordinary 398: Tata Deferred 2175; Indian Iron 36; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 27; Bombay Dyeing 2165; Central India 297/8; Gokak 300; Kohinoor 705; Simplex 300; Swadeshi 605; Tata Power 1665; Associated Cement 175; Belapur 245; Bombay Burma (Old) 460; Scindia 31/4; Central Bank 125; New India 90; Tata 2nd Pref. 166/4.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, March 28.

The produce market was quiet. There was some selling in Linseed from C. P. and U. P. and ready Linseed was quoted at Rs. 29/6 while April-May delivery business was done at Rs. 28/14. Groundnuts were also quiet with Khandesh quality placed at Rs. 32/4. Coromondal at Rs. 31/12 and Bold at Rs. 31/8. Castorseeds railway receipts were quoted at Rs. 21 and Spot quotation on Bazar terms was Rs. 165. May delivery was quoted at a penalty of Rs 2 over Rs. 131.

Castorseed oil was quoted at Rs. 19/12 and Linseed oil at Rs. 21. Groundnut oil Ready Rs. 19/8, April Rs. 18/12 and May Rs. 19 Upcountry Mills. Groundnut oil was quoted at Rs. 18/12 and the market was quiet.

WALL STREET MARKET

NEW YORK, March 27.

Stocks revived bullishness continued today with a follow through demand bringing further recoveries of fractions to 1 point or more in moderate activity. Industrials again lead the improvement followed by, oils, rails, department stores, wetstocks, sugars amusements and utilities. The pessimism in respect of international affairs, domestic labour and tax problems appears to be subsiding. The averages were 177.84 and 48.95. Industrials, particularly steels and motors, together with chemicals wetstocks in specialities continued to lead the advance to higher levels in the best activity for sometime and the market showed gains up two points or better. Profit taking tended to increase as prices moved forward but was well absorbed and it is opined in some financial quarters this augured well for the chances of the industrial average reaching the 182 to 184 area before serious resistance is encountered. The increased recognition that earning power and prospects, yield and other factors have hitherto been largely disregarded together with some short covering and the effect of the limit decline in grains today comprised the principal bullish factors. The market finished around the day's best with Dupont 4-3/4 advance at 192 and the closing tone firm.

American Telephone and Telegraph	166-1/4
Amerax Holding Co.	31
Anaconda Copper Mining	40-3/8
Chase National Bank	36
Sinclair Oil	15-5/8
Firestone Type and Rubber Co.	59-3/4
General Electric Co.	36
General Motors	61-1/8
Ingersol Rand	116-1/2 bid
International Nickel	33
National City Bank of New York	39-3/4
New York Central Rail Road Co.	18-1/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	14-5/8
Texas Corporation	60-1/2
Union Carbon and Carbide	99-3/4
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co. ex div	48-1/2
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	74-7/8
Western Union Telegraph	20-1/2

Rubber Production To Increase

LONDON, March 26 (APA.)

The Rubber Statistical Bulletin published to-day disclosed that India and Germany showed decreases in their stocks of national rubber, during 1946, while France, Britain and America showed great increases.

Commenting on the bulletin, an informed source forecast that 1947 world production of natural rubber would soar to a possible 1,500,000 long tons and stated that the demand for synthetic rubber had now begun to decline.

Synthetic rubber consumption had grown from an estimated 290,000 tons in 1943 to a record estimated at 910,000 tons in 1946.

Natural rubber consumption in 1946 was, in contrast, only 545,000 tons. During the last year, the bulletin showed, world stocks of natural rubber rose some 300,000 tons. Consumption during the year was nearly two and half times greater than the available figures for consumption in 1945.

CHICAGO GRAINS MARKET DECLINES.

CHICAGO, March 27.

Chicago Grains: Prices were weak with wheat and maize deliveries breaking daily permissible limits on a heavy general liquidation movement attributed to technical considerations after the recent sharp advances together with sharp declines in outside markets. Some selling might have also been prompted by hopes of President Truman there would not be a further rise in the nation's price levels. Commercial interests offered the best support on decline against additional export business with Holland today purchasing 180,000 bushels of maize and Italy this week completing maize purchases totalling 3,240,000 bushels. The combined purchases of maize by three commodity credit corporation offices yesterday totalled 1,020,000 bushels.

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, March 28.

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PROBLEMS FACING U. S. TAXPAYER

(BY HEANRY P. PERRY.)

WASHINGTON, March 28. There are signs this week that life in the United States of the postwar era will not be one of considerable leisure and unearned plenty. The American taxpayer who shouldered the burden—and will continue to shoulder the burden for years to come—of the most expensive war in history, has come to expect only part of the relief he believed would be his when the war ended and the costly Army and Navy were reduced to peacetime strength.

But peace has brought both new responsibilities and new expenses. The United States was called upon to furnish more than 40 per cent of the money that has gone into the World Bank and some 35 per cent of the billions of dollars which have gone into the World Monetary Fund. Its share of United Nations expenses are nearly as much as those of all the other nations of the world put together, and the same applied to U.N.R.R.A. The U. S. share of the money needed by the International Refugee Organization is 45.75 per cent, and all this is in addition to the millions going in private relief. Now Congress is debating unilateral emergency relief of 350 million dollars and President Truman has asked for 400 million dollars for aid to Greece and Turman.

The task of furnishing all this money falls to a Congress dominated by the Republican Party, which won the last election on the platform of economy along with tax relief and a balanced budget. President Truman suggested what he called a "minimum budget" of 37,500 million dollars. Then the House of Representatives voted to reduce it by 6,000 million dollars and the Ssenate by 4,500,000 dollars. The conference committee of both houses has not yet agreed on a compromise.

Meanwhile, the House of Representatives has cut off 30 million dollars of the salaries of 8,200 revenue agents who, according to objection raised by the Treasury Department, bring in 600 million dollars of annual revenue. Seemingly justified objections also were raised to the reduction in the machinery for collecting much-needed labour statistics, and yet the cuts necessary for the promised budget reductions have apparently just begun.

Prices Moving Upward

Gradually, since the end of the war, Government controls on the civilian economy has been removed and prices have been allowed to find their natural level at a balance point between supply and demand. But supplies of many articles still are short and the pent-up need for consumer goods has not yet been met. The result is high prices. In fact, when President Truman considered with Congressional leaders this week the expiration of March 31 of the Second War Powers Act, he listed only seven critical materials which should remain under control. They are sugar, rice, tin, antimony, hemp, cinchona and streptomycin.

Automobile prices are free to fluctuate, but a meeting of producers this week estimated that the demand will not be satisfied for five years. Other durable goods such as electrical supplies are in plentiful stocks but prices are so high that thousands of prospective customers are going without them. Many who have been on the waiting lists for months have cancelled their orders because they can't afford to buy.

The wheat market fluctuated during the week because it became evident that the Government would buy large stocks for relief abroad and bread increased a cent a loaf. Meat was plentiful but there were few families who could afford anything but the very cheapest cuts.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA.

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 21st March:—

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.
CAPITAL:—	5,62,50,000
Reserved Fund	6,17,50,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	261,52,20,000
Sundries	1,16,46,000
Total Rs.	274,48,66,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities	138,95,32,000
Other Authorised Investments	6,76,73,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	43,21,65,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	45,07,53,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	6,66,50,000
Dead Stock	1,58,36,000
Sundries	1,29,17,000
CASH:—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	28,24,71,000
Balances with other Banks	2,68,69,000
Total Rs.	274,48,66,000

POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS.

Statement of the position of Scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 21st March:—

	Rs.
Demand Liabilities in India	685,45,19,000
Time Liabilities in India	346,74,73,000
Cash in India:	
(i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes	36,55,24,000
(ii) Rupee Coin	2,19,66,0000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin	66,31,000
Balances with Reserve Bank	68,49,12,000
Advances in India	468,25,89,000
Bills discounted in India	21,69,07,000

300 Ermad 285 Coffee Robusta 88 Timber Pali 521 /8 Junglewood 310 Vellapine 52/8 Benteak 55/5/8 Teak 95 Mangoplanks 4/8 Teak 18 Rosewood 8/2/0

New York Cotton Operators Switch To Bear Side

Prices Decline 21 To 47 Points

NEW YORK, March 27, (U. P. A.): Spasmodically active trading featured today's session of the New York Cotton Exchange. Prices were lower with the weakness in grains plus Administration proposals to hold down the price line to circumvent any new wage increase demand and prevent the inflationary spiral.

SWITCHING OPERATIONS.

Washington suggestions came into the forefront again after being ignored yesterday when they were first espoused. Technical realizing against the six-day uptrend and increased selling as May neared the 36-cent level were equally upsetting. The main trading feature again was the May-July spreading. A leading spot firm was the accredited seller of 20,000 bales in May against purchases in July at a differential of 188 points. It was assumed that the spot interest was liquidating either against the acquisition of spot cotton supplies in the South or switching at the present wide differences. New Orleans, Western interests and local professionals switched themselves to the bear side as outside market weakened. Besides the drop in grains, hogs, silver, hides, and turpentine were sharply lower.

Today's session opened seven higher to one lower. Prices rallied momentarily to new highs, but after the opening gains, prices trended down irregularly until just before the close when the rally followed local covering and trade buying. Prices finished off 21 to 47 points.

OUTSIDE UNCERTAINTIES.

Outside uncertainties obscured the fundamentally strong statistical position and unencouraging new crop accounts. It was privately reported that continued cool temperatures were delaying preparations and that cotton already planted in more southern regions was developing poorly. These crop uncertainties and covering of July against the sale of 20,000 bales by U.N.R.R.A. to China had a cushioning effect on the downturns. Inquiries by foreign mills were reported to be increasing as they appeared to fear a further dollar inflation. It was said that Holland, Italy and Polish interests were inquiring with some resulting buying apparent on those accounts in the July and October positions. The situation in the spot May position was becoming the dominant market factor with forecasts that it will be well above the 36-cent level in the near future.

SHORT COVERING.

Messrs. Harris and Vose, a leading spot cotton firm, today predicted a substantial advance in May as a result of the expected covering against large open interest before the position expires on April 25. The firm said that May appears to be in a stronger position than the recently expired March contract.

Messrs. E. F. Hutton & Co., a Wall Street firm predicted there will be no real break in cotton until a major change occurs in the overall cotton situation. They said, "This could come as a result of crop news that would foreshadow a record yield, but even that would not relieve the tight situation which may develop before the new crop is marketed." They said that the weak margined speculators which caused the historic October collapse were not apparent now. "No dangerous speculative long position has accumulated as most brokers have insisted on the original margins. Hutton favoured the long position in old crop months recessions and limited hedging in new crops.

JAPANESE GOODS.

Leading cotton textile exporters are protesting that the U. S. Commercial Company is marketing Japanese gray goods abroad. They complain that the practice is having a demoralizing effect on the market for American produced textiles. The group is urging that the U. S. Commercial Company be prevented from selling Japanese goods wherever hard currency is available and that the activities be confined to saturating limited territories like Korea, India and China, leaving the rest of the world as potential American consumers.

Traders expressed the opinion that today's reaction was long overdue and that it will make for a healthier situation on an eventual rise to new tops.

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, March 27.

May	35.55—21
May highest	35.84+08
May lowest	35.47—29
July	33.66—24
October	30.45—37
December	29.45—47
January	29.15—47
March	29.00—43
Middling Spot	36.38—33

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
New York, March 27.

May	35.40—22
July	33.57—28
October	30.46—30
December	29.55—32
March	29.04—31
Middling Spot	35.40—20

CHICAGO WHEAT.
CHICAGO, March 27.

May 2.61 asked.
July 2.27-3/4 asked.
September 2.18-1/4 asked.
December 2.14-1/2 asked.

LONDON BULLION.
London, March 27.

Silver Spot 45d., Forward 44-1/2d.
Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8-12-3.

LONDON WHEAT.
London, March 27.

Australian Wheat (bulk) F. O. B. 103 Mar.-April quoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.
London, March 27.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 p c	94-1/2
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	109-5/8
War Loan 3-1/2 p c 1952 and after	106-1/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	115-7/8
Victory Bonds 4 p c	117-3/4
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	11-3/4
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	104
National Bank of India	34-1/2

NEW YORK SILVER.
New York, March 27.

U. S. price of Foreign Silver 73-1/4 cents.

Punjab Should Have A Christian Premier

LAHORE, March 28 (U.P.I.): A suggestion that there should be a Christian Premier in the Punjab has been made by Mr. Fazl Ilahi, a Christian M.L.A.

In a statement he says: "The Akali leader, Master Tara Singh, has suggested that the representation in the Provincial Legislature should be 30 per cent each to the Sikhs and Hindus and 40 per cent to the Muslims and that the Premier should be appointed from a minority community, preferably the Sikh community.

"In my opinion this will not solve the communal problem in the Punjab. In view of the present situation I suggest that instead of a Sikh Premier who, if appointed, would aggravate the communal feeling, a Christian be appointed Premier. This would not only improve the situation, but I feel other communities will also have nothing to say against this formula."

He also advocates acceptance of joint electorates, adult franchise principle of proportionate representation. This alone can solve the present deadlock in India, says the Christian M. L. A.

WOMAN SCIENTIST'S UNIQUE HONOUR

LONDON: A woman scientist, who is the mother of three children, has had the honour of being elected a Fellow of the Royal Society, Britain's top scientific body. She is Mrs. Dorothy Crowfoot Hodgkin, who was the first person in the world to determine accurately the chemical structure of penicillin by means of X-rays. She succeeded in doing this long before many male chemists were able to do so, but her discovery was kept secret for wartime security reasons.

Although she is only in her early thirties, Mrs. Hodgkin is already recognised as one of the world's greatest experts in her own sphere, and she has the added distinction of being admitted to the Fellowship of the Society at an age which is young even for men scientists.

Another new Fellow is Air Commodore Frank Whittle the expert on jet propulsion.

U.S. President's War-Time Powers To Be Restricted

Congress To Enact Bill Extending Control On Sugar And Copper

WASHINGTON, March 28, (Reuter): The United States Congress today failed to agree on extension of the President's war-time powers over domestic and international distribution of food and raw materials after March 31, the expiration date.

Although the Senate voted to extend the President's control powers without exception until June 30, 1947, the House of Representatives later passed legislation limiting controls to allocations "of materials or equipment for export which are certified by the Secretaries for Commerce and State as necessary to meet international understandings and responsibilities "and a few minerals such as tin and antimony.

The removal of domestic controls over other items such as fertilisers, fats and oils would be made mandatory in the bill as would also the removal of all import controls.

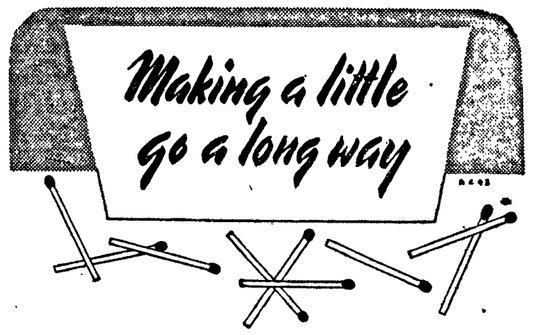
The House of Representatives will try to persuade the Senate representatives to accept these limitations at a conference fixed for tomorrow.

Congress has however already taken steps to assure that special legislation to extend controls over sugar, copper and rubber shall be enacted.

Legislation covering sugar has already been passed by the House of Representatives and was today being debated in the Senate. The legislation for rubber has already been passed.

SILVER, DEMAND LIGHT ON NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, March 27, (U. P. A.): The demand for silver was light on the New York market today, leaving several offerings unsold and causing a further two cent price drop. The volume of business transacted was probably 200,000 ounces.



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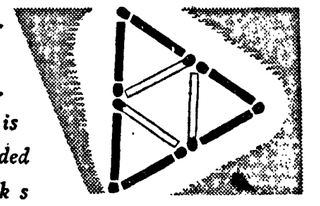
ANSWER: *Arrange the match sticks as illustrated. The fifth triangle is formed by the shaded match sticks*



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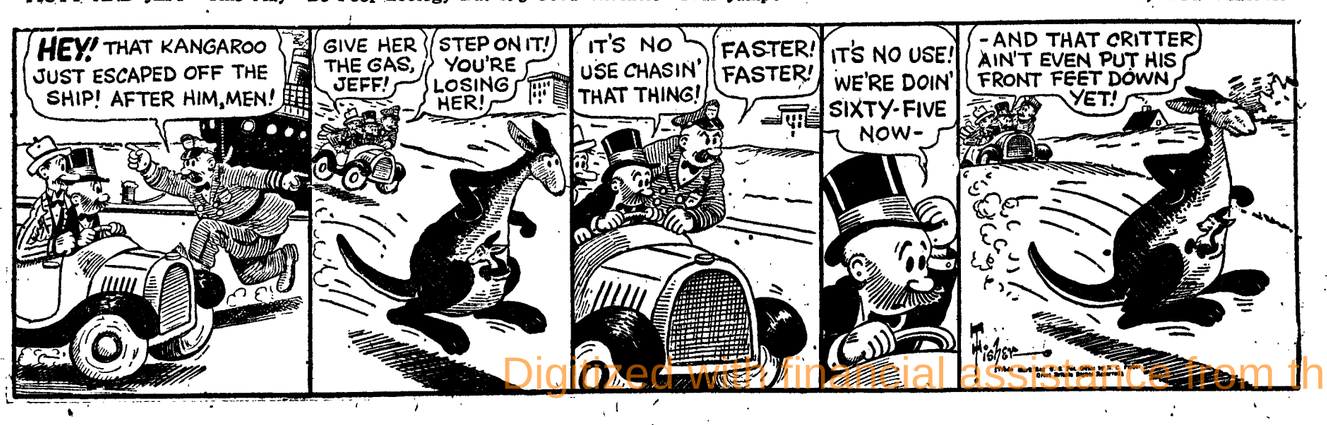
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STEP ON IT! YOU'RE LOSING HER!
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Dated this 29th day of March, 1947.

A. D. SAMPAT,
Managing Director.
(2735)

NOTICE.

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APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED to fill the following temporary vacancies in the Locomotive Workshops at Parel immediately:—

Category	Grade Rs.	No. of vacancies
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5. Assistant Patternmaker	34-1-38	10

Starting pay will be allowed at the rate of Rs. 34/- p.m. in the above grade and in addition, an interim relief of Rs. 4-8-0 p.m. and Dearness Allowance at Rs. 19/- p.m. are also admissible. The vacancies are purely temporary The appointment is subject to passing of a trade test and medical examination which will be arranged by the Railway Administration.

Candidates desirous of offering their services for any of the above posts should submit applications, with copies of testimonials if any, addressed to the Works Manager, G.I.P. Railway Workshop, Parel, Bombay 12 or deposit their application in the box provided for this purpose at Parel Time Office (Main entrance of the workshop).

Preference will be given to candidates who have served full time apprenticeship with any recognised Engineering Firm. The Railway Administration will not pay any expenses a candidate may incur on the journeys in connection with the interview and trade test, nor will a candidate be entitled to any compensation should he meet with any accident while undergoing a trade test in Parel shops. (2716)

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF FOOD
(DIV. III).
Office of the Chief Director of *Purchase.*

New Delhi, dated the 24th March, 1947.

TENDER NOTICE.

No. E/424 (1)

THE CHIEF DIRECTOR of Purchase, Department of Food (Divi*sion III),* Jamnagar House, New Delhi, invites tenders from parties in the tea trade for the appointment of an Agent for the purchase, blending, packing and supply of Tea for Defence Services for a period of one to three years.

QUALITY: All tea supplied must conform to the Revised R.I.A.S.C. Specification No. 198 (New Series).

ESTIMATED QUANTITY: The Estimated quantity to be supplied from June 1947 to March 1948 is 1520 tons.

Price of tender forms with detailed conditions of agreement is Rs. 10/- (Rupees Ten only) per set and is not refundable and forms are not transferable. Payment should be made in cash or by Money Order only to the Chief Director of Purchase, quoting the tender number and remitter's full address on the coupon. Applications for Tender forms will be received upto 10th April 1947.

Applicants not already on the Food Department's list of approved contractors must state in their applications for tender forms the name of their bankers.

EARNEST MONEY: The tender must be accompanied by earnest money of Rs. 25,000/- (twenty-five thousand) by Demand Draft or Deposit at call Receipt on Reserve Bank of India or Imperial Bank of India in favour of Chief Director of Purchase. The money will be forfeited in full in addition to Government reserving a right to recover to the full extent from the tenderer the damages suffered by Government should the tenderer resile from his tender or in the event of the tender being accepted fail to furnish security deposit by due date. The security deposit will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderers but Government will not be liable for payment of any interest thereon. If the tender is accepted the earnest money may be adjusted towards part payment of security deposit required to be deposited. Tenders without earnest money will not be considered.

SECURITY DEPOSIT. The successful tenderer will be required to deposit Rs. 1,00,000/- (one lakh) as security within a week of the Acceptance of the Tender. This should be deposited in any of the following forms:—

Currency Notes, Demand Draft on the Imperial Bank of India, or Scheduled Bank, or Treasury or Imperial Bank of India receipt, or Promissory Notes at market value or Post Office Cash and Defence Savings Certificates at conversion value, endorsed in favour of the Controller of Food Accounts. (2728)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES & SUPPLIES

Office of the Director of Supplies, Strand House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

THE DIRECTOR OF SUPPLIES, Bombay, invites Tender No. BOM/T/TIM-9 to reach him on or before 11 A.M. on 17-4-1947 on forms (not transferable), obtainable from his Office at Rs. 10/- (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash, by Money Order, or Indian Postal Order (quoting tender No., full name and address of the remitter), for:—

Description.	Quantity. Nos.
Packing cases of sizes	1,11,620

Applicants not already on the approved list of this Department or the late Department of Supply must give their Banker's reference on applications for tender forms. Tender forms will not be issued to firms already blacklisted.

Tender forms are also obtainable from the following officers on payment of Tender Fee direct to them:—

1. The Director of Supplies, Calcutta.
2. The Dy. Director of Supplies, Karachi and Madras.
3. The Dy. Director General (Supplies), Directorate General of Industries & Supplies, New Delhi. 2731

GOVERNMENT OF BURMA.

TEACHERS, who hold a subst*antive appointment on a perma*nent cadre of the Education Department and who are still on *Surplus leave, or ordinary leave,* or employed in other Departments *are hereby instructed to furnish* the following information so as to reach the office of the Director of Public Instruction, Burma, on or before the 30th April, 1947. If *the information, called for, is not* received from such a teacher within the time specified, he or *she is liable to be considered to* have resigned from service in the Education Department.

1. Name
2. Qualification.
3. Age with date of birth.
4. Present address.
5. Permanent Substantive post held in 1942.
6. Date of appointment to the permanent Substantive post held in 1942.
7. Date of confirmation in the permanent Substantive post held in 1942.
8. Last post held in 1942 with date of appointment to it, if other than that mentioned in 5 above.
9. Present Employment, if any. If not, state whether on Surplus or Ordinary leave and the period.
10. Subjects competent to teach. (2723)

TENDERS FOR TRANSPORT OF GOVERNMENT GRAINS

SEALED TENDERS are invited from truck-owners so as to reach the undersigned on or before 7th of April 1947 for transport of Government grains throughout in Thana, Kolaba and Bombay Suburban Districts by motor lorries for the period ending 31-3-48. Tenders should quote lorry-mile rate and ton-mile rate.

The contractors will have to execute an agreement embodying 'inter alia' the following conditions:

(i) The contractor will on demand supply as many lorries as required by Government to move foodgrains from each of the rice mills or Govt. godowns to any shop or godown in the three districts.

(ii) The contractor will be supplied petrol coupons by the undersigned.

(iii) No detention charges will be allowed.

(iv) Tarpaulin and such other water proof covering will be provided by the contractor.

(v) The contractor will be responsible for the care of the goods dispatched in their lorries.

(vi) Loading and unloading will be done by the contractor himself who will be paid at the rate per bag to be quoted by him.

(vii) The contractor will remain responsible for any loss or damage to the grain caused accidentally or otherwise.

(viii) The contractor will have to deposit a sum of Rs. 5,000/- with the Grain Purchase Officer and, enter into a contract to carry out the work to the entire satisfaction of the Grain Purchase Officer failing which a part or whole of the deposit will be liable to forfeiture and the contract liable to termination.

The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Further details can be had from the Office of the Grain Purchase Officer, Wakefield House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

L. R. DALAL,
Grain Purchase Officer,
Thana, Kolaba & B.S.D.

Bombay, 27th March, 1947. 2727

NOTICE

CHANGE IN THE NAME OF THE OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLY ACCOUNTS, BOMBAY

From the first April, 1947, the above Office will be known as the Office of the Deputy Accountant General, Industries and Supplies, Bombay. The address and telegraphic address will remain unchanged.

CONTROLLER OF SUPPLY,
Accounts, Bombay,
Exchange Building,
Ballard Estate, Bombay. 2719

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY

TIMINGS OF TRAINS.

WITH EFFECT from April 1st, alterations will be made in the timings of the Bombay Suburban train service and in the timings of Broad and Metre Gauge Main Line and Branch Line trains.

For details, please see sheet time tables at stations. (2736)

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, UNITED PROVINCES

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a temporary post of Field Assistant in the scale of Rs. 100-10-250. A candidate must possess a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture with Dairying and Animal Husbandry as special subjects OR the Indian Dairy Diploma AND at least one year's field experience and of handling of milk. He should also be well versed in the interpretation of Data and must have a thorough knowledge of Dairy Industry in general. Age not less than 23 years and not more than (i) 32 years if already in the service of the Crown and (ii) 27 years otherwise on August 1, 1947. Upper age-limits for Scheduled Caste candidates will be greater by three years and may be waived in special cases. Requisitions for application forms etc. will be entertained and supplied up to APRIL 23, 1947 and applications on the prescribed form received up to April 30, 1947.

Dated Allahabad, March 18, 1947.

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By Order,
G. P. SINHA,
Assistant Secretary,
for Secretary. 2720

NOTICE

WANTED GRADUATES, domiciled in the Province of Bombay, Panth-Piploda or Ajmer Merwara for appointments as temporary Clerks in the Office of the Chief Auditor, G.I.P. Railway. The scale of pay which is liable to revision on the Pay Commission's Report is Rs. 80-5-100 E.B. 10-120 with house allowance, dearness allowance and interim relief according to Rules. Two posts are reserved for the other Minority Community one for Muslim and one for Schedule Caste. Applications in their own handwriting showing the date of birth, domicile and other particulars should reach the Chief Auditor, G.I.P. Railway, on or before 7th April, 1947. 2724

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES AND SUPPLIES,

Office of the Director of Supplies Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

TENDER NOTICE

DIRECTOR OF SUPPLIES, Bombay, invites Tender No. BOM/T/491 to reach him on or before 11 A.M. on 12th April 1947 on forms (not transferable) obtainable from this office at Rs. 2/- (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash or by Money Order or Indian Postal Order (quoting Tender No. full name and address of the remitter) for:—

Description.	Quantity.
1 Pumice rubbing Block No. 3. II fine grain medium hard. As per sample No. I.S. 1252	3200 Blocks.
2. Powder Pumice. As per sample No. I.S. 1253	100 Cwt.

Applicants not already on approved list of this Department or the late Department of Supply, must give their Banker's reference on application for Tender Forms. Tender Forms will not be issued to firms already blacklisted. 2732

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THIS IS TO NOTIFY that Mr K. A. BUHARIWALLA, the Proprietor of Messrs. Dara & Company, has on the 17th day of March, 1947, sold his business of Dara & Co. Aerated Water Factory, situate at Worli together with its goodwill, stock-in-trade and other assets and benefits of all pending contracts and the leasehold plot on which the said Factory stands as a going concern to "The Vijaya Ice & Soda Factory Ltd." As from the 17th day of March 1947, the said Mr. K. A. Buhariwalla has no concern whatsoever with the said Aerated Water Factory.

Dated this 29th day of March, 1947. (5375)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

B.E.S.T. STRIKE

AS DESIRED by the Government of Bombay, the B.E.S. & T. Co., Ltd., proposes to put into operation as soon as possible its emergency scheme for operating a partial tram and bus service with the aid of volunteers.

Volunteers are required for the following duties:—

(1) Bus Drivers. Must be used to driving heavy vehicles.
(2) Tram Drivers. Will be trained as necessary.
(3) Tram and Bus Conductors. Will be trained as necessary.
(4) Maintenance and repairs staff:
(a) Capable of carrying out minor repairs to buses and motor vehicles.
(b) Capable of oiling, greasing, watering, etc., buses and motor vehicles.
(c) Capable of carrying out minor electrical repairs and maintenance on tramcars.
(d) Capable of oiling, cleaning, etc., tramcars.

Volunteers will be paid an inclu*sive rate of Rs. 6|- per day worked* for Bus Drivers and Rs. 5|- per day *worked for all other categories.*

Volunteers for duties (1), (2) or (3) should report at the *Company's Motor* Vehicle Garage, Ormiston Road (between the old and new *buildings) and volunteers for (4)* should report at the entrance to *the Company's Bus Garage,* Colaba Causeway, between 8 A.M. and 4 P.M. on or after Sunday, the 30th March, 1947.

NOTICE.

We hereby declare for the information of the public that we have CANCELLED the Power of Attorney given to Mr. VINAYAK GOPAL GOKHALE as he has left our service.

(Sd.) THAKORDAS PANACHAND & Others. (5377)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership between Chhogmal Ramkishandas Bajaj and Ambalal Someshwar Dave, Ramji Meram Sagar, Narbheram Govindji Jhaveri and Maganlal Keshavji Jhaveri under the firm, name and style of Messrs. National Artists is dissolved as from the 31st December 1946. NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the film, entitled "Krishna Sudama" absolutely belongs to the said Ambalal Someshwar Dave, Ramji Meram Sagar, Narbheram Govindji Jhaveri and Maganlal Keshavji carrying on business in the firm, name of Messrs. Excel Pictures.

Dated, this 28th day of March, 1947.

CHANDRASEN & CO.,
Attorneys for Ambalal Someshwar Dave and others, Proprietors of Messrs. Excel Pictures. (2734)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. TULSIDAS GORDHANDAS KHATTAU has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, charge, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease, exchange, use, easement or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 13-19 Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

"THE SHIELD" at New Marine Lines.

ALL that piece of land situate on the east side of the Marine Lines Road (New Marine Lines) on the Esplanade in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay held under the Lease from the City of Bombay Improvement Trust, dated the 5th May 1903 and a total area of 1600 square yards or thereabouts and which is bounded on the North by Plot No. 17, Marine Lines, on the East by the Marine Battalion Parade Ground, on the South by Plot No. 15, Marine Lines, and on the West by Marine Lines Road which said piece of land is known as Plot No. 16 Marine Lines Estate and which said plot is assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 8453 (part) and bears Cadastral Survey No. 1431 of the Fort Division with the buildings and premises erected and built thereon which said buildings and premises are assessed by the Bombay Municipality under Ward A No. 3524 Street No. 33 Marine Lines Road and are in the occupation of the tenants of the Vendor.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1947.

DAPHTARY FERREIRA & DIVAN.
Purchasers' Attorneys. (2721)

(For Further Notices See Page 2)

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